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Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Sullivan  
Mr. Tavel  
Mr. Trotter  
Mr. Tele. Room  
Mr. Holmes  
Miss Gandy

*no info  
re: [unclear]  
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WASH FROM LOSA6 8 3-18 PM  
DIRECTOR URGENT

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BENJAMIN QUOTE BUGS UNQUOTE SIEGEL, MISC., INFO. CONDUCT  
BURTEL, AUGUST SIX, LAST, RE

REQUEST BUREAU REFER TO INFO

AND INTERVIEW WITH

INDICTED BY FEDERAL GRAND JURY, L.A., MARCH SIX, LAST,  
TOGETHER WITH THIRTY-TWO MEN AND TWO WOMEN IN NATIONWIDE NARCO-  
TIC CONSPIRACY CASE

NARCOTIC BUREAU, L.A. REPORTS NO INFO DEVELOPED INDICATING SIEGEL  
CONNECTION WITH ANY OF ABOVE INDIVIDUALS. NO INFO  
AVAILABLE IN L.A. FILES CONCERNING SIEGEL'S CONNEC-  
TION WITH THESE INDIVIDUALS.

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TO BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS SAN DIEGO IS SECURING PHOTOGRAPHS AND  
FINGERPRINTS

SIEGEL AND ASSOCI-  
ATES RECEIVED TELEGRAM FROM CPA, WASHINGTON, ORDERING FURTHER  
CONSTRUCTION OF FLAMINGO HOTEL, LAS VEGAS, STOPPED. INFORMANT  
FURTHER STATES THAT SIEGEL DID NOT PAY BRIBE TO  
SECURE CPA PERMIT FOR CONSTRUCTION ALTHOUGH HE ADMITS, IN  
APRIL, NINETEEN FORTYSIX, CPA IN RENO OR SAN FRANCISCO ORDER-  
ED CONSTRUCTION STOPPED, BUT SUBSEQUENTLY PERMITTED IT TO  
PROCEED.

FOR CPA AT L.A.,  
CHECKED CONSTRUCTION OF FLAMINGO HOTEL IN APRIL, NINETEEN  
FORTYSIX BEFORE CPA PERMITTED CONSTRUCTION TO PROCEED.

IS ORIGINAL SOURCE OF INFO CONCERNING IRREGULARITIES IN  
CPA IN CONNECTION WITH FLAMINGO HOTEL. NOT AVAILABLE  
FOR INTERVIEW TODAY. SIEGEL IN-

TENDS TO HAVE WHO HAS THE CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION  
OF THE FLAMINGO HOTEL

GET IN TOUCH WITH CON-  
CERNING THE TELEGRAM FROM CPA.

CORRECTION--DOVE SHD BE SIGNED "OSTHOLTHOFF"

ACTIVATION CAP ME GARG; FOREIGN MISCELLANEOUS. REFERENCE YOUR  
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Mr. Hendon  
Mr. Pennington  
Mr. Quinn Tamm  
Mr. Nease

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DIRECTOR AND SACS PHILADELPHIA AND CHICAGO, ATTENTION ASST. DIRECTOR

E. J. CONNELLEY

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CAPGA. BROWNING ARMS COMPANY, ST LOUIS, MO. REPORTS TWELVE GAUGE BROWN-  
ING AUTOMATIC SHOTGUN PARENTHESIS FABRIQUE NATIONALE D ARMES DE GUERRE,  
HERSTAL, BELGIQUE CLOSED PARENTHESIS, SERIAL NUMBER ONE TWO NINE TWO TWO  
THREE, SOLD TO

A WHOLESALE

CONCERN, PROBABLY IN NINETEEN TWENTY NINE. ULTIMATE CUSTOMER DID NOT  
RETURN QUOTE OWNERS IDENTIFICATION CERTIFICATE UNQUOTE WHICH WOULD  
~~INDICATE~~ INDICATE HIS IDENTITY AND PLACE OF PURCHASE. BROWNING COMPANY  
WAS NOT THEN LOCATED IN ST LOUIS, MO. BUT IN OGDEN, UTAH. ALL INVOICES  
OF BROWNING AUTOMATIC COMPANY DESTROYED AFTER FIVE YEARS SO EXACT DATE OF  
SHIPMENT NOT AVAILABLE. PHILADELPHIS MAKE IMMEDIATE EFFORT TO  
TRACE IDENTITIES OF ANY PERSONS CONNECTED WITH GUN SINCE SUPPOSEDLY USED  
IN ATTEMPT ON LIFE OF JAMES M. RAGEN JUNE TWENTY FOUR. ~~SUTEL~~ SUTEL  
RESULTS TO BUREAU AND CHICAGO

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DIRECTOR ATTENTION: ASST. DIRECTOR ROSEN URGENT

BENJAMIN "BUGS" ~~XXXXXXXX~~ SIEGEL, MISC., INFO CONCERNING, CRIM  
SURVEY. CLARK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, LAS VEGAS, NEV., YESTERDAY  
DENIED APPLICATION OF SUBJ AND HIS ASSOCIATES FOR LIQUOR AND  
GAMBLING LICENSE FOR FLAMINGO HOTEL. THIS HAS CAUSED CONSID-  
ERABLE CONSTERNATION TO SIEGEL AND ASSOCIATES. SIEGEL PRO-  
CEEDING FROM LA TO LAS VEGAS TOMORROW TO PERSONALLY APPEAR  
BEFORE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY

ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL INVESTORS IN FLAMINGO HOTEL.  
INFORMANTS BOTH HERE AND IN ~~AMSTERDAM~~ LAS VEGAS INDICATE THAT  
THIS IS ONLY A TEMPORARY DENIAL OF LICENSE AND THAT ~~XXXXXXXX~~  
LICENSE WILL BE GRANTED AT LATER DATE. SIEGEL CONTINUES TO  
SPEND MOST OF HIS TIME HANDLING DETAILS CONCERNING CONSTRU-  
TION OF THE ~~XXXXXXXX~~ FLAMINGO HOTEL.

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✓ DIRECTOR AND SAC CHICAGO---ATTENTION ASST. DIRECTOR E.J. CONNELLEY

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CAPGA.

NO OTHER INDICATIONS OF  
PRESENCE IN LA TO DATE. CHICAGO OFFICE GIVE IDENTIFY-  
ING BACKGROUND SEND PHOTO AMSD. BUREAU AND  
CHICAGO WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

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END PLS ACK

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Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Ladd  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Tracy  
Mr. Carson  
Mr. Egan  
Mr. Gurnea  
Mr. Harbo  
Mr. Hendon  
Mr. Pennington  
Mr. Quinn  
Mr. Nease  
Miss Gandy

cc Mr. T. A.   
 Mr. Rosen

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SAC, Los Angeles **PERSONAL ATTENTION**

July 24, 1946

Director, FBI

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SAC

**BENJAMIN "BUG" KIDNEY**

**MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION - CRIME SURVEY**

Reference is made to your report of July 13, 1946, in the above-captioned matter and Bureau teletype of July 23, 1946. In addition to obtaining further information from [redacted]

It is also desired that you obtain detailed information from him concerning the operation [redacted] referred to in your report of July 13, 1946. [redacted]

Your attention is also called to the third last paragraph, page two, referenced report, which discusses the ownership of the Del Mar Race Track. The Bureau would appreciate your clarifying the facts of ownership of this race track. Your attention is also called to Los Angeles letter to the Bureau of July 3, 1946, entitled, "Hawking Activities, Los Angeles Field Division in which it is indicated that [redacted] as well as Benjamin "Bug" Kiegal was rumored to have furnished the money for the purchase of the Del Mar Race Track, it being noted that [redacted] was not mentioned therein as a purchaser.

It is suggested that in the future when confidential informants are interviewed an attempt to make such interviews more detailed be made in order that Assistant Director E. J. Connelley at Chicago and the Bureau will be in a better position to evaluate the stories related.

The Chicago Division is requested to furnish the Bureau with any information it might have available relative to the so-called [redacted]

**AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY**

cc Chicago (Attn. Asst. Director E. J. Connelley) **PERSONAL ATTENTION**

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Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
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cc Mr. Tamm  
Mr. Rosen

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Mr. Tamm

July 24, 1946

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SAPCA ; BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION - CRIME SURVEY  
Los Angeles, in an investigative report, advises that

according

[REDACTED] This group is not otherwise described, and the Los Angeles office is being requested by the attached air mail special delivery letter to obtain further details in this regard.

The information furnished [REDACTED] appears to be of questionable value in view of the fact that he further informed that it was his opinion that [REDACTED]

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The Los Angeles Office has also advised that [REDACTED]

confidentially reports that the Del-Mar race track is actually owned by Benjamin "Bugs" Siegel.

The Los Angeles Division has also advised that [REDACTED] has supplied money for the purchase of the track. The Los Angeles Office is likewise being requested to attempt to clarify the present ownership of the Del-Mar race track.

With further regard [REDACTED] he has informed that a man named [REDACTED] has rented space in the Ferguson Building, 3rd and Hill Streets, Los Angeles, which will be the place from which the local representatives of the new wire service stemming from Chicago will disseminate racing information in the Los Angeles area.

RECOMMENDATION

That the attached letter to Los Angeles be dispatched.

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Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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 DIRECTOR AND SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

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BENJAMIN CROOKS RUCS HINCHOTE SIEGEL, MISC. INFO CONCERNING, CRIME  
 SURVEY. [REDACTED] ADVISED SIEGEL

YESTERDAY THAT HEARING CONCERNING CONSTRUCTION OF FLAMINGO HOTEL  
 TO BE HELD TEN FIFTEEN AM TUESDAY [REDACTED] AT SAN FRANCISCO  
 BEFORE CPA COMMISSIONER [REDACTED] SIEGEL TOLD [REDACTED] QUOTE HE  
 WILL NOT STOP CONSTRUCTION, WE WILL GO TO JAIL FIRST. UNQUOTE.

[REDACTED] ADVISED SIEGEL CPA CLAIMS THAT FLAMINGO HOTEL PROJECT IS NOT  
 ONE BUILDING BUT SEVERAL AND THAT PREVIOUS AUTHORITY TO BUILD W  
 EXTENDED TO ONLY ONE BUILDING. THEREAFTER SIEGEL CONTACTED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] APPARENTLY HAS CONTACTS  
 AT SAN FRANCISCO. SIEGEL ASKED [REDACTED] TO GET TO [REDACTED] SIEGEL  
 WILL BE IN SAN FRANCISCO TUESDAY FOR CPA HEARING. ALSO PRESENT  
 WILL BE [REDACTED] WILL BE CONSTRUCT-

ION CO., AND [REDACTED] OF DELINWEBB CONSTRUCTION CO.,  
 ATTEMPTING TO SECURE RESERVATIONS FOR PARTY AT PALMER HOTEL. IF  
 CPA HEARING RESULTS IN CONFIRMING PRESENT STOP ORDER [REDACTED]

WILL ASK COURT, PRESUMABLY IN NEVADA, FOR A RESTRAINING ORDER  
 AGAINST CPA. SIEGEL HAS EXPRESSED FEAR THAT HE AND ASSOCIATES WILL  
 GO BROKE IF CPA ORDER UPHOLD AND IS MOST ANXIOUS TO DETERMINE WHO  
 INSTIGATED PRESENT ACTION. IN THIS CONNECTION [REDACTED] CALLED

SIEGEL AND OFFERED HIS ASSISTANCE IN DETERMINING THIS. SAN FRAN-  
 CISCO HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO COVER SIEGEL'S ACTIVITIES THERE BY TECH-  
 NICAL AND MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE IF POSSIBLE. S.F. FURNISH TO SUR-  
 EAU AND L.A. AVAILABLE BACKGROUND INFO ON [REDACTED]

(c) OSTHOLHOFF  
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DIRECTOR AND SAC LOS ANGELES URGENT

BENJAMIN EUGS STEIN, MISC., INFORMATION CONCERNING, CRIME SURVEY.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WELL KNOWN GAMBLERS. NO

PALMER HOTEL HERE AND PARTIES HAVE NO RESERVATIONS

AT PALACE HOTEL AS YET. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISE IF [REDACTED] SHOULD BE  
CONTACTED BY THIS OFFICE IN ORDER THAT ARRANGEMENTS MAY BE MADE  
TO COVER ANY POSSIBLE BRIBERY MEET BEFORE MEETING ON TUESDAY.

SUTEL.

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cc - Mr  
Mr  
Mr

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August 12, 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

RE: REACTIVATION OF THE CAPONE GANG

In the investigation of Benjamin "Bugs" Siegel it has been determined that he has been contacting [redacted] who has been identified as [redacted]

In order to establish the connection between Siegel and [redacted] it is requested that authority be granted to place a technical surveillance [redacted] so that his activities may be discreetly established. [redacted]

Respectfully,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. E. A. TAMM

DATE: August 9, 1946

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION  
CRIME SURVEY

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Miss Beahm \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

The Los Angeles Office has advised that

[REDACTED]

Los Angeles has further informed that [REDACTED] was indicted by Federal Grand Jury in Los Angeles, March 6, last, together with 34 other individuals in a nationwide narcotic conspiracy case. In connection with the investigation concerning the reported irregularities dealing with the construction of the Flamingo Hotel at Las Vegas, including apparent irregularities of officials of the CPA Administration, [REDACTED] advised that Siegel received a telegram from CPA in Washington ordering further construction of the Flamingo Hotel be stopped and further that Siegel did not pay a bribe to secure a permit for the construction, although construction had been temporarily halted in April, 1946 but subsequently permitted to proceed. Siegel [REDACTED] intends to have [REDACTED] the contractor for the Flamingo Hotel, get in touch with [REDACTED] concerning the telegram from the CPA.

## OBSERVATIONS

[REDACTED]

Also, it may be possible that Siegel may be connected with the 34 individuals indicted by the Federal Grand Jury on a narcotic charge in Los Angeles.

## RECOMMENDATION

The attached teletype to the Los Angeles and Salt Lake City Divisions be dispatched.

Attachment

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AUGUST 9, 1946

Transmit the following message to:

SAC, LOS ANGELES

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SALT LAKE CITY

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REFERENCE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO BUREAU AUGUST EIGHT LAST

REVER HOTEL

AUGUST SIX LAST TO LOS ANGELES AND SALT LAKE CITY STATING

SALT LAKE CITY OFFICE IN NEXT INTERVIEW

LOS ANGELES OFFICE IS REQUESTED

TO DETERMINE THROUGH BUREAU OF NARCOTICS, LOS ANGELES WHETHER ANY INDICATIONS  
SIGNAL INVOLVED IN CONNECTION WITH THE INVESTIGATION OF [REDACTED] AND OTHERS  
INDICATED MARCH SIX LAST.

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## OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 8/8/46

FROM : SAC, San Diego

SUBJECT: CAPGA

(Bu. File #62-81093)

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN SIEGEL, was;  
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION  
CRIME SURVEYALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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On August 5, 1946, I received a telephone call from Assistant SAC A. K. OSTHOLTHOFF, who is presently on special assignment at the Los Angeles Field Division, in connection with the above-entitled matters. Mr. OSTHOLTHOFF advised me that [redacted] Los Angeles, who is alleged to be BENJAMIN SIEGEL's associate, would be at the Del Mar Hotel, Del Mar, California, during the current racing meet at the Del Mar Turf Club, Del Mar, California. Mr. OSTHOLTHOFF also advised me that [redacted] has been under technical surveillance at Los Angeles and he was anxious that a survey be made looking toward the possibility of establishing like coverage [redacted] while he is at the Del Mar Hotel.

Reference should be made to the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated July 13, 1946, at Los Angeles, California, in the CAPGA matter.

After [redacted] registration at the Del Mar Hotel has been verified a very discreet investigation was commenced which revealed that [redacted] had been assigned a room on the third floor of the hotel on the opening day of the meet, August 6, 1946. [redacted]

[redacted] enjoys a wide acquaintance among all of those connected with the track and the hotel and is known to be highly reliable. His identity, as a source of information, of course should not be revealed in this case inasmuch as he enjoys the confidence of a large number of bookies, hoodlums, and track hangers-on who frequent Del Mar. Through [redacted] who is well acquainted with [redacted] it was learned that [redacted] did not like the room assigned to him and demanded to be moved to one of the nice cottages at the rear of the hotel grounds. A loose surveillance has been maintained [redacted] his arrival at Del Mar. The surveillance has been facilitated because of the crowded condition of the hotel and track and surrounding area. It appears that [redacted] is well known to the great majority of the guests and to those occupying boxes at the clubhouse at the track. Preliminary information indicated that a large number of hoodlums and racketeers from Los Angeles and Chicago would be in attendance at the race meet and would stay at the Del Mar Hotel, [redacted] which condition is discussed more fully below. Although [redacted]

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it has not been possible to definitely identify these individuals at the hotel, it is known that a number of the Los Angeles gamblers and racketeers are in attendance and [redacted] is intimate with them.

is known that there is a gambler in Los Angeles named [redacted] who is mentioned in the report of [redacted] dated August 9, 1944, at Los Angeles, California, captioned, "RACKETEERING ACTIVITIES IN LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION, INFORMATION CONCERNING", however this individual has not been definitely identified.

Through the cooperation of [redacted] the agents were able to follow some of the conversation taking place in this room of Cottage E-51.

There was no discussion as to [redacted] real purpose in attending this meet. In this connection information was received from several sources at the track that BENJAMIN SIEGEL may have been able to get [redacted] with the proposition that [redacted] should have the exclusive bookmaking rights at the track and to eliminate all local and independent books, by force if necessary. A rather close observation of [redacted] on each day of the meet so far has not revealed this type of activity. The reliability of the track sources in this matter is questioned. [redacted] spends considerable time reviewing his form sheets and in conversation with those in attendance at the track and during the races remains in his box betting on every race. It is known that he has won a considerable amount of money, coming in with at least two good long shots. Therefore, the coverage [redacted] as of this date only indicates that he is here as a betting gambler and is not operating a book. It is also known that two or three San Diego bookmakers are operating in a limited capacity at the track without hindrance.

Letter to Director

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

is well acquainted with both of these individuals. A large number of the Hollywood motion picture colony visit the clubhouse at the track and it is noted that [REDACTED] is well acquainted with most of them, however, there is no indication that he is operating a book at the track. It is believed that [REDACTED] is operating a really big book and is doing so well under cover at the hotel itself and it has been suggested in this connection that he would lay off all his bets.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

As the opportunity presents itself a very discreet coverage will be maintained on this room to ascertain [REDACTED] activities and the identity of any of his visitors.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] was overheard when someone asked if GEORGE RAFT was going to return to the track, the reply being that he probably would if [REDACTED] remained at the hotel. RAFT had previously engaged a suite of three rooms on the second floor of the Del Mar Hotel occupied by himself and one [REDACTED], and two other individuals, Jews, whose identities have not been established. RAFT was accompanied at the Del Mar by his known body guard, [REDACTED]. Los Angeles Office reports indicate that RAFT has been "very conspicuous" due to his friendship with SIEGEL and [REDACTED].

Reference should be had here to my personal and confidential letter to the Director dated August 1, 1946, entitled, "DEL MAR TURF CLUB - CRIME SURVEY, DIEGO FIELD DIVISION", with copies to Chicago and Los Angeles. I outlined in detail the highly confidential information furnished me [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

In this connection I note that it is stated in the report of [REDACTED] dated [REDACTED]

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Letter to Director

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July 13, 1946, at Los Angeles, entitled, "CAPGA", that a confidential informant had advised the Los Angeles Office that the Del Mar Turf Club is actually owned by BENJAMIN SIEGEL. After many conversations [redacted] I am inclined to doubt very seriously that the information is correct. Upon the spreading of unverified rumors that members of some Eastern and Los Angeles mobs were moving into the Del Mar meet "to make a killing" it was speculated that this would be a crooked meet in that there would be a number of fixed races. Of course this is a matter very difficult to determine.

[redacted]

[redacted] has advised that he has some very good sources among the jockeys, owners and trainers at Del Mar and that he does not believe that there will be any unusual number of fixed races. [redacted] specified, however, that even with all of the new mechanical and other safeguards to insure honest races it actually is easy to fix a race and that the same may occur. He confidentially advised that he possesses the identities of at least three jockeys and one or two owners or trainers who are very likely to attempt to fix some races as the meet progresses. [redacted] furnished this information to Special Agent [redacted] of this office with the definite reservation that the same not be repeated to anyone under any circumstances. [redacted] did not desire to reveal these identities at this time and of course it is impossible to know at this time whether any of the outside racketeers can get to these particular individuals. In this connection you will recall that I have stated in this letter that SIEGEL, RAFT and their associates enjoyed considerable betting success during the first two days of the meet, however, no allegations were made that any of those races were fixed.

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With reference to the request of ASAC OSTHOLTHOFF that it be determined whether a technical surveillance [redacted] would be feasible at the Del Mar Hotel, I advised Mr. OSTHOLTHOFF at the time of his call that [redacted]

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It is also noted that, as I mentioned in my memorandum of August 1, 1946, captioned, "DEL MAR TURF CLUB - CRIME SURVEY, SAN DIEGO FIELD DIVISION", [redacted] was also the purchaser of the El Rancho Vegas at Las Vegas, Nevada, a gambling house in which BENJAMIN SIEGEL may have an interest.

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In confirmation of my belief that a technical surveillance [redacted] at the Del Mar Hotel would not be practical, I contacted [redacted]

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In view of the above situation I do not consider it feasible to attempt a technical surveillance [REDACTED] at this point. ASAC OSTHOLTHOFF is being kept advised as to the progress of this investigation and will further be advised of any change in the situation which might later make such surveillance possible.

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cc (2) - Los Angeles  
cc (2) - Chicago

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DIRECTOR, FBI

August 9, 1946

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR E. J. CONNELLEY, Chicago

SAPSA

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Reference is made to teletype of July 31, 1946 from the Washington Field Office to Chicago, advising that on April 25, 1946 [redacted] made calls from Washington, D. C. to [redacted]

With reference to the call on April 25, 1946 to [redacted]

When information is being furnished to the Washington Field Office by copy of this letter for the assignment in conducting further investigation in this matter.

cc-Washington Field

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SUBJECT: BENJAMIN WISNICK  
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING  
ONLINE SURVEY

Pursuant to your instructions on August 9, 1946, the writer communicated telephonically with ASAC Galt of the Salt Lake City Division concerning the above-captioned matter and instructed that office not to

[REDACTED] ASAC [REDACTED] advised that this instruction would be furnished immediately to SA [REDACTED] at Las Vegas, Nevada, and also to ASAC Bethelthoff at Los Angeles for his information.

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DIRECTOR AND SAC LOS ANGELES

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BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, MISCELLANEOUS, INFORMATION CONCERNING, CH  
SURVEY. SUBJECT REGISTERED ROOM THREE NAUGHT SEVEN, ST. FRANCIS HOTEL  
AS BEN SIEGEL. [REDACTED] HAS SUITE THREE ONE NAUGHT DASH  
ELEVEN [REDACTED]

WHO WAS APPOINTED TO HEAR SUBJECTS MATTER BEFORE CPA TOMORROW. [REDACTED]  
FAVORABLY KNOWN TO AGENTS OF THIS OFFICE WHO ATTENDED STANFORD UNI-  
VERSITY. HE WILL BE CONTACTED TONIGHT ON HIS RETURN FROM VACATION AT  
HIS RESIDENCE IN PALO ALTO. [REDACTED]

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BENJAMIN QUOTE BUGS UNQUOTE SIEGAL. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING. CRIME SURVEY. WHO KNOWS BY SIGHT SIEGAL. ADVISED AS OF TWO PM THIS DATE PARTIES HAVE NOT MADE RESERVATIONS OR APPEARED AT HOTEL.

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SUBJECT. INQUIRY ALSO BEING MADE HERE

DISCREET INQUIRY BEING  
LOS ANGELES REQUESTED TO ADVISE  
POSSIBLE TIE-UP WITH

AUTHORITY TO INSTALL TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. ROSEN *b7c*

FROM : [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING  
CRIME SURVEY

DATE: August 12, 1946

Call: 12:05 p.m.

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ASAC Ostholtzoff, on special assignment in Los Angeles, telephonically contacted the Bureau with reference to information furnished by the San Francisco Division indicating that Benjamin "Bugs" Siegel has been in communication with [REDACTED] relative to the CPA stop order issued regarding the Flamingo Hotel at Las Vegas. Siegel asked [REDACTED] to get to [REDACTED]. It appears that reference is made to [REDACTED] before whom a hearing is to be held regarding the Flamingo Hotel Tuesday, August 13, at San Francisco. San Francisco has indicated the possibilities of developing a bribery violation in this case and Ostholtzoff inquired whether the Bureau had any information on [REDACTED]. He was advised that the Bureau had not even been informed of [REDACTED] first name to date. Ostholtzoff then suggested that the most desirable procedure was to instruct San Francisco to ascertain in a highly discreet manner background information on the reputation, character, etc. of [REDACTED]. If San Francisco checked this matter out and found him to be a high class, reliable individual then consideration should be given by San Francisco to approaching him in order that sufficient information might be furnished in order to develop a bribery case in this connection.

Ostholtzoff was advised that the Bureau had no objection to checking the background [REDACTED] and he indicated that he would immediately communicate with San Francisco relative to this matter. It was also mentioned to Ostholtzoff in connection with Siegel's contemplated trip to San Francisco that appropriate arrangements should be made to thoroughly cover Siegel's activities while in San Francisco, it being noted that blanket coverage had previously been authorized regarding Siegel's activities.

## RECOMMENDATION

None. San Francisco and Los Angeles have been instructed to keep the Bureau advised of every development in this matter.

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TO: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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Transmit the following message ATTENTION: A. E. OSTHOLTHOFF

BENJAMIN "BOSS" SISKEL, INFORMATION CONCERNING CRIME SURVEY. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OF CALIFORNIA ADVISED THE BUREAU THAT HE WAS IN RECEIPT OF A LETTER FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LOS ANGELES, STATING AS FOLLOWS QUOTE THERE IS A MATTER WHICH I BELIEVE NEEDS ATTENTION. THERE ARE A LOT OF ONE THOUSAND DOLLAR BILLS OFFERING HERE AT SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS, THEY CAN BE SOLD FOR EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS IN MEMO, I AM TOLD UNQUOTE. SECRET SERVICE HAS BEEN ADVISED [REDACTED] CONCERNING THIS INFORMATION. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT [REDACTED] BE CONTACTED RELATIVE TO THIS MATTER IN CONNECTION WITH INSTANT CASE.

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BENJAMIN "BOB" SIEGEL ✓  
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CRIME SURVEY

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[redacted] furnished information to [redacted]  
that Siegel was under constant investigation and  
surveillances. As a result, a technical surveillance was placed on  
[redacted] August 2, 1946.

The Washington Field Division has advised that [redacted]

The Washington Division reports that [redacted] is the individual with  
whom [redacted]

The Washington  
Division has further pointed out that it is possible [redacted] may have  
knowledge of the installation of the technical [redacted] and that he is certainly  
in a position to learn of its existence.

This situation was called to the attention of the Bureau by the  
Washington Division in view of the possibilities of this technical being  
uncovered and. [redacted]

#### OBSERVATION

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It appears [redacted] is unaware of the technical surveillance [redacted]  
at this time inasmuch as if he knew of the existence of this installation,  
it hardly seems possible that he would talk over the telephone [redacted]

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ACTION TAKEN

The Washington Division has been telephonically advised to keep in close touch with the technical surveillance [redacted] and to furnish daily logs of the surveillance. They have been further instructed to check the security of the installation and to be on the alert for any developments which would indicate that the surveillance has been uncovered. b7c

[redacted]

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DIRECTOR AND SAC LOS ANGELES URGENT

BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING  
CRIME SURVEY.

INTERVIEWED AT HIS HOME [REDACTED]  
LAST NIGHT. HE ADVISED HE WAS NOT AN EMPLOYEE OF CPA BUT MERELY  
A SPECIAL COMMISSIONER DIRECTLY APPOINTED BY DONALD NELSON THEN  
HEAD OF WPB. HE STATED THAT HE HAD BEEN REQUESTED TO HOLD A  
HEARING AT SAN FRANCISCO TODAY BUT THAT HE HAD NOT BEEN INFORMED  
AS TO THE NAMES OF THE PARTIES NOR THE SUBJECT MATTER INVOLVED.  
HE ALSO STATED THAT THIS WAS THE FIRST HEARING HE HAD HELD  
FOR ONE YEAR. HE ADVISED THAT HE HAD NOT BEEN APPROACHED BY  
ANYONE IN CONNECTION WITH THE CASE BUT WOULD IMMEDIATELY  
NOTIFY THIS OFFICE IN THE EVENT HE WERE APPROACHED. HE WILL  
KEEP MATTER STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL. UNLESS ADVISED TO THE CONTRARY  
HE WILL BE REINTERVIEWED AFTER DECISION RENDERED FOR  
FULL PARTICULARS RE HEARING.

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DIRECTOR AND SAC LOS ANGELES URGENT

BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, MISC., INFORMATION CONCERNING, CRIME  
SURVEY. SUBJECT REMAINED IN HIS ROOM LAST EVENING AND NIGHT  
AND HAD NO CALLERS NOR VISITORS. AT APPROXIMATELY TEN PM, TRIED  
TO PLACE CALL [REDACTED] BUT UNABLE TO REACH.

[REDACTED] ARRIVED AT HOTEL ST FRANCIS FOUR AM TODAY AND  
AROSE ABOUT TEN THIRTY AM, AFTER WHICH [REDACTED] WENT TO  
HIS SUITE WHILE [REDACTED] BREAKFASTED. [REDACTED] HAS NOT YET MET  
OR COMMUNICATED WITH SUBJECT WHO HAS BEEN IN HOTEL LOBBY THIS  
AM TRYING TO SECURE ANOTHER ROOM WITH TWO BEDS TO ACCOMMODATE  
A FRIEND, NAME UNKNOWN. NO OTHER ROOMS AVAILABLE AT HOTEL AND

[REDACTED] DEL DASH WHITE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY,  
FOUR NAUGHT EIGHT SOUTH SPRING, LOS ANGELES, REGISTERED AT  
PALACE HOTEL AT TEN PM LAST NIGHT AND HAVE ROOMS THREE NAUGHT  
TWO FOUR AND THREE NAUGHT TWO SIX. [REDACTED]

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BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, MISC., INFO CONC., CRIME SURVEY. ON JULY  
TEN, LAST, [REDACTED] BOTH FROM [REDACTED]  
WERE IN L.A. [REDACTED] JULY FOURTEEN, LAST  
ABOVE CONFERRED WITH MEYER LANSKY AND [REDACTED] REASON  
BELIEVED PROPOSED BUYING OF CONTROLLING GOLD STOCK IN MINE IN  
RENO, NEV., WHICH REPORTEDLY DID NOT MATERIALIZE. [REDACTED]  
ON AUG. TWELVE, LAST UNSUCCESSFUL

LLY ATTEMPTED TO CALL [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LATER CALLED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND MADE REFERENCE TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] REFUSING TO ACCEPT ABOVE CALL. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] APPARENTLY VERY LOW IN SPIRIT AND FINANCIALLY  
STRANDED. [REDACTED] MADE THREATENING REMARKS CONCERNING [REDACTED]

TO EFFECT THAT HE SHOULD BE GIVEN A PHYSICAL BEATING OR SHOT.

APPARENTLY [REDACTED] WAS PREVIOUSLY ASKED FOR FINANCIAL RE-

LIEF ON BEHALF OF [REDACTED] AND AFTER AFFIRMING LATTER

DECLINED BY IGNORING TO MEET OR ANSWER CALLS [REDACTED] SUGGESTED

[REDACTED] APPROACH ONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] TO TELL [REDACTED]

THAT HE, [REDACTED], JUST TALKED TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NYC WILL IDENTIFY AND FURNISH

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BACKGROUND INFO CONCERNING [REDACTED] BOSTON WILL LIKE-  
WISE FURNISH L.A. WITH ~~ACTIVITIES~~ ACTIVITIES OF [REDACTED] IN  
BOSTON AND DETERMINE IDENTITY OF [REDACTED]

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice**

Salt Lake City, Utah  
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Director, FBI

~~PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL~~

Re: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCE

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the Bureau's teletype of August 12, 1946, to Mr. A. E. OSTHOLTHOFF at the Los Angeles Office and to the Salt Lake City Office, relative to the desired interview [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Special Agent [REDACTED] who is working with Mr. OSTHOLTHOFF on special assignment, it is being taken for granted that the requested interview with this informant will be handled and reported through Mr. OSTHOLTHOFF.

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ON 10/25/85

Very truly yours,

*Jay C. Newman*  
JAY C. NEWMAN  
SAC

JCN [REDACTED] b7c  
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cc - Mr. A.E.Ostholtzoff, Los Angeles  
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DIRECTOR

ROUTINE

SA [REDACTED] ON SPECIAL IN CONNECTION WITH CASE  
ENTITLED BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION,  
CRIME SURVEY, LEAVING LAS VEGAS, NEVADA ELEVEN FORTYFIVE AM  
FOURTEENTH INSTANT FOR LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. HE INTENDS  
RETURNING LAS VEGAS EVENING OF SIXTEENTH INSTANT OR MORNING OF  
SEVENTEENTH INSTANT.

NEWMAN

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DIRECTOR

URGENT

BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, MISC. INFORMATION CONCERNING, CRIME SURVEY.  
REFER SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE TO BUREAU, LOS ANGELES AND SALT LAKE  
CITY THIRTEENTH INSTANT.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

Date: August 12, 1946

FROM : A. ROSEN

SUBJECT: CAPCA  
BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL

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The Los Angeles Division has advised that Benjamin "Bugs" Siegel has been in telephonic contact with a party known as [REDACTED] in San Francisco. The San Francisco Office has identified [REDACTED] b7c

Siegel is reported to have requested [REDACTED] to use his influence with the Civilian Production Administration in San Francisco in order to continue on with the building of the Flamingo Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. As a result of Siegel's contact [REDACTED] the San Francisco Office has requested that a technical surveillance be placed on the residence [REDACTED] b

RECOMMENDATION

That the attached memorandum to the Attorney General requesting authority for this technical be dispatched.

Attachment [REDACTED] b7c

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BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, MISC., INFO CONCERNING, CRIME SURVEY.

MORNING THE FOLLOWING TRANSPIRED IN SUITE THREE TEN

AT THE ST. FRANCIS HOTEL, DURING WHICH TIME AT LEAST THE FOLLOWING  
INDIVIDUALS WERE PRESENT - SUBJECT

AT THIS TIME SUBJECT COMPLAINED THAT SIXTEEN  
WEEKS WORK AND TWO MILLION DOLLARS HAD BEEN PUT INTO THE HOTEL AT  
LAS VEGAS WHICH WAS SEVENTY FIVE PERCENT COMPLETED, AND NOW A STOP  
ORDER HAD BEEN ISSUED. HE FURTHER COMPLAINED THAT HAD AN OK  
ON A ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLAR BUILDING IN THE SOUTH.  
THERE WAS DISCUSSION AS TO WHETHER THE CPA HAD JURISDICTION, AND  
MENTION WAS MADE THAT

WERE ON THE CPA COMMISSION. AND SIEGEL  
DISCUSSED OPENING A GAMBLING CLUB IN SACRAMENTO SAID THAT

TWO OTHER SENATORS WERE KNOWN TO HIM SIEGEL SAID THAT HEAD  
OF THE CPA HERE, HAD GIVEN AN OK FOR THE HOTEL BUILDING AT LAS VEGAS  
AND THEN HAD ISSUED A STOP ORDER. HE COMPLAINED ABOUT PRESSURE BEING  
PUT ON HIM AND HIS ASSOCIATES AND APPARENTLY ATTRIBUTED IT TO THE FA  
THAT A APPARENTLY OF NEVADA, WAS BACKING ONE

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PHONETIC, AGAINST SIEGEL AT LAS VEGAS. [REDACTED] TOLD [REDACTED] THAT HE THOUGHT HE SHOULD KNOW THE CPA GUYS. HE TOLD [REDACTED] THAT THEY HAD UNTIL TOMORROW AND THAT THEY MIGHT BE ABLE TO GET A RESTRAINING ORDER, APPARENTLY AGAINST THE CPA STOP ORDER. THEY CALLED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND ASKED HIM TO COME TO THE HOTEL ROOM. SHORTLY THEREAFTER [REDACTED] APPEARED, AT WHICH TIME HE WAS TOLD ABOUT THE BUILDING AT LAS VEGAS AND ABOUT THE STOP ORDER AND WAS ASKED IF HE COULD HELP THEM, MENTIONING THAT THEY WOULD MAKE IT WELL WORTH HIS WHILE. [REDACTED] AGREED TO ASSIST THEM BUT STATED THAT HE WOULDNT GO TO THE HEARING TODAY INASMUCH AS HE HAD ANOTHER MEETING. AT THIS POINT THE INDIVIDUALS LEFT, APPARENTLY TO ATTEND THE HEARING BEFORE THE CPA AT ONE THREE FIVE FIVE MARKET STREET. DURING THE CONVERSATION, [REDACTED] TRIED UNSUCCESSFULLY TO REACH [REDACTED] AT SACRAMENTO BY TELEPHONE.

[REDACTED] DID NOT INDICATE WHAT STEPS HE INTENDED TO TAKE TO ASSIST THEM FOR THE INFORMATION OF SALT LAKE CITY, THIS CASE IS BEING HANDLED AS SPECIAL WITH LOS ANGELES AS ORIGIN. SUBJECT AND HIS ASSOCIATES ARE BUILDING THE FLAMINGO HOTEL IN LAS VEGAS, NEV., AND RECENTLY A STOP ORDER HAS BEEN ISSUED BY THE CPA. A HEARING IS BEING HELD IN SAN FRANCISCO TODAY CONCERNING THIS STOP ORDER. ON SATURDAY LAST SUBJECT

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CALLER [REDACTED] WELL KNOWN LOCAL GAMBLING BOSS, AND ASKED  
HIM "TO GET TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHO HAS AGREED TO COOPERATE WITH THIS OFFICE  
SALT LAKE CITY IS REQUESTED TO ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY [REDACTED] A  
[REDACTED] PHONETIC. b7c

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WA 9-11 PM OK FBI WASH DC WJR

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cc - Mr. Rosen

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
725 San Diego Trust and Savings Bank  
San Diego 1, California  
August 12, 1946

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY  
PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

DIRECTOR, FBI

RE: GAFGA  
Bureau File No. 62-81093

RE: BENJAMIN SIEGEL, with aliases  
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION  
CRIME SURVEY

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my communication to the Director dated August 6, 1946, entitled as above, in which I set out the general results of the investigation being conducted at the Del Mar Turf Club Track and the Del Mar Hotel at Del Mar, California, as of that date.

continues under his usual modus operandi, i.e., he now has a rest room in a cottage, No. 256, at the Del Mar Hotel, in a rather secluded section of the grounds. This room is on the second floor of the cottage, which location renders a close-up coverage of the room and any occupants rather difficult. continues to visit the Club House and Jockey Club for all races and plays the \$50 window exclusively.

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spotted in the Jockey Club here and requested that he produce his credentials. It is reported that he was illiterally



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carrying a Jockey Club Attendance Book in the name of the managing agent of the film star. He was asked to leave the Club House at that time, which he cheerfully did. He immediately returned to the Del Mar Hotel and was inactive the balance of that day.

On the following day, August 8, 1946, was back in the Jockey Club occupying the box of

On August 9, 1946, did not appear at the Track and at the Hotel it was ascertained through mentioned in my previous letter, that had gone to Los Angeles, but was expected back on August 10, 1946.

He was found to be occupying box again on August 10, 1946, and was approached by at which time he was able to prove that he was a registered guest. However, it was noted that left the Track and returned to the Hotel shortly before the last race.

In this connection you will recall that I mentioned in letter of reference that had stated confidentially that he suspected two or three jockeys would be very likely to attempt to fix some races as the Meet progresses.

agents later advised of the presence at the Track of well known as an ex-convict,

He was seen to openly contact while the horses were entering the paddock and afterwards on the way to the track. It is stated that a signal, undeciphered, was noted to pass between and agents immediately notified the Track Stewards of this situation and a special watch was set on race.



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Later information indicated that [redacted] was detected in pulling up his horse. At [redacted] request, however, the Stewards refrained from calling in [redacted] for a hearing inasmuch as [redacted] wants to watch him for another week.

The principal point of interest to us in this occurrence is that Special Agent [redacted] noted [redacted] in a brief conversation after the above described race occurred. It is not known how [redacted] placed his money on that particular race.

It was also learned that [redacted] agents are very interested in the famous jockey [redacted] who is a known tout and was recently seen drunk at Del Mar, California.

Relative to the above mention of [redacted] trip to Los Angeles on Friday night, August 9, 1946, Assistant Special Agent in Charge A. E. OSTHOFF at Los Angeles, advised me that a technical source revealed that [redacted] had been in conversation with [redacted] told [redacted] to bring down his "first class crap/shooter" to the Del Mar Hotel. The identity of this individual is not known to us, but we will be alert at the Track and Hotel to identify him should he appear there in connection with [redacted]

On August 10, 1946, the Detroit office was requested by teletype to furnish any pertinent information concerning these two individuals and to determine, if possible, whether they had left the State of Michigan. They were not identified at the Del Mar Hotel or Race Track.

With further reference to [redacted] there is some indication that if he persists in coming to the Jockey Club portion of the Track, [redacted] will probably see to it that he is ejected from the Track altogether, as they suspect that he is engaged in some bookmaking activities.

You will recall that I mentioned in letter of reference that

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It is suggested that a check on the Los Angeles records be made in an attempt to identify this individual. It should be noted, however, that the original information to the effect that came from a source whose reliability has not been fully established.

It is known that GEORGE RAFT, whose activities were described in my previous letter, has not returned to the Track.

Very truly yours,

  
W. A. MURPHY  
SAC

62-477

cc's: 1-San Diego File 94-43  
1-San Diego File 94-27  
1-Los Angeles File 62-282  
2-Chicago File 62-3679 - Attention: Assistant Director E. J. CONNELLEY

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tamm

DATE: August 13, 1946

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
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The technical surveillance on Benjamin Siegel has reflected that he was in conversation with [REDACTED] b7c  
[REDACTED] advised Siegel that a hearing concerning the construction of the Flamingo Hotel would be held on Tuesday, August 13, at San Francisco [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Siegel told [REDACTED] "We will not stop construction. We will go to jail first."

Thereafter, Siegel contacted a party by the name of [REDACTED] who has been identified as [REDACTED] a well-known gambling boss in the vicinity of San Francisco. Siegel requested [REDACTED] to "get to [REDACTED] This is apparently [REDACTED] before whom a hearing is to be held regarding the Flamingo Hotel. b7c

On August 12, 1946, while talking with ASAC Ostholthoff, who is handling the special in Los Angeles, he inquired if the Bureau had any objection to contacting [REDACTED] and it was agreed that the San Francisco Office should make a discreet background investigation as to [REDACTED] after which time consideration would be given to contacting [REDACTED] and was b7c  
[REDACTED] appointed to hear the subject matter before the CPA at San Francisco. The San Francisco Office has advised that [REDACTED] is favorably known to Agents of that office and that he would be contacted at his residence in Palo Alto, California.

The technical surveillance on Siegel has further informed that one [REDACTED] called and offered his assistance in determining the parties responsible for the action in withholding the construction of the Flamingo Hotel. b7c  
[REDACTED]

ACTION TAKEN

The San Francisco and Los Angeles Offices have been instructed to keep the Bureau fully informed regarding the Siegel matter, and you will be promptly informed of any new developments.

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CAPGA. REMYTEL AUGUST TWO, LAST, INFO DEVELOPED THAT

[REDACTED] IN L.A. IN CONNECTION  
WITH PROPOSED KILLING OF [REDACTED] ALLEGEDLY KILBING ORDER-  
ED BY SOME ST LOUIS BOSS AS RETALIATION FOR PAST ACTIONS ON  
[REDACTED] PART; [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ST LOUIS SEND AMSD PHHOTOGRAPHS, DES-  
CRIPTIONS AND M.O. OF ABOVE INDIVIDUALS IF KNOWN TO THAT  
OFFICE. BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

ST LOUIS WILL BE ADVISED.  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. E. A. TAMM

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FROM : A. ROSEN

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[REDACTED] is in Los Angeles  
in conjunction with a proposed plan to kill [REDACTED]  
According to the informant [REDACTED] is to be killed  
by order of an undescribed St. Louis racketeering boss in retaliation for past  
actions [REDACTED]

It is further reported that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Los Angeles advised that they will keep the Bureau informed on all  
developments in this regard.

RECOMMENDATION

That the attached teletype be dispatched to Los Angeles Division request-  
ing that appropriate local authorities be advised concerning the alleged planned  
killing [REDACTED]

Attachment  
[REDACTED] b7c

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SAC, LOS ANGELES

Transmit the following message to:

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CRIME SURVEY.

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IN VIEW OF INFORMATION REPORTED ~~REDACTED~~

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~~REDACTED~~ YOU ARE REQUESTED TO ADVISE APPROPRIATE

LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN THIS REGARD, SAFEGUARDING, OF COURSE, THE IDENTITY OF  
THIS INFORMANT.

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DIRECTOR AND SAC LOS ANGELES URGENT

BENJAMIN BUGS SEIGEL, MISC., INFO CONCERNING, CRIME SURVEY.

[REDACTED] LAS VEGAS, REGISTERED AT PALACE HOTEL

YESTERDAY FOR ROOM SEVEN NAUGHT NINE SEVEN. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISES [REDACTED] TOLD HIM THAT HEARING WOULD CONTINUE  
TODAY BUT THAT HIS TESTIMONY WAS OVER. [REDACTED] FURTHER RELATED THAT  
EXISTING HOTELS IN LAS VEGAS MIGHT BE TRYING TO KEEP FLAMINGO FROM  
BEING FINISHED. [REDACTED] PHONETIC, MENTIONED IN MYTEL YESTERDAY,  
MAY BE [REDACTED] NO PERTINENT  
ACTIVITY ST. FRANCIS HOTEL LAST  
EVENING. THIS MORNING [REDACTED] ONE

[REDACTED] WHO MAY BE IDENTICAL WITH THE [REDACTED] PHONETIC, MENTIONED  
IN MYTEL YESTERDAY, MET IN SEIGEL-S ROOM. DURING THE CONVERSATION  
THEY FELT THAT THE HEARING WOULD LAST THROUGH UNTIL SIX PM TODAY AND  
INDICATED THAT THEY WOULD TRY TO SHOW THAT THE PROJECT WAS ONLY ONE  
BUILDING. SEIGEL WAS APPARENTLY WORRIED AND SAID QUOTE WHAT IF WE  
DON-T GET IT UNQUOTE. EITHER [REDACTED] REPLIED QUOTE DON-T  
WORRY, WE-LL GET IT JUST LIKE, WE GOT EVERYTHING ELSE UNQUOTE. NO  
FURTHER MENTION HAS BEEN MADE REGARDING APPROACHING [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Mr. Tolson  
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DIRECTOR AND SAC LOS ANGELES

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BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, MISC. INFORMATION CONCERNING, [REDACTED] SURVEY

[REDACTED] INTERVIEWED AT HIS HOME, [REDACTED]  
TODAY. ADVISED THAT IN THE HEARING AGAINST DEL WEBB CONSTRUCTION CO.

[REDACTED] RESPONDENTS, THE FOLLOWING

APPEARED AS INTERESTED PARTIES [REDACTED]

WHO SAID HE WAS A PARTNER, SIEGEL, [REDACTED] OF

DEL WEBB AND [REDACTED] APPEARING AS ATTORNEYS FOR  
RESPONDENTS WERE [REDACTED]

WHOM [REDACTED] STATED WAS FORMERLY ASSISTANT REGIONAL ATTORNEY FOR WPB  
HERE AND [REDACTED] EXHIBITED PLAN DATED

JANUARY TWELVE AND [REDACTED] TESTIFIED THIS WAS PLAN FOLLOWED IN CON-  
STRUCTION. PLAN LACKED DETAILS, SUCH AS ELEVATION AND [REDACTED] ASKED

[REDACTED] SINCE [REDACTED] CPA ATTORNEY DID NOT, IF HE COULD BUILD BUILDING  
USING ONLY THESE PLANS. [REDACTED] REPLIED "NO". [REDACTED] ASKED IF LOCAL

BUILDING CODE REQUIRED FILING OF DETAILED PLANS AND RECEIVED REPLY [REDACTED]  
NEGATIVE. RESPONDENTS SHOWED THAT ON APRIL SIXTEEN THEY RECEIVED WHAT

IS KNOWN AS A NUMBER ONE WIRE FROM CPA TO EFFECT THEY MUST STOP CON-  
STRUCTION IF IN VIOLATION OF FREEZE ORDER. ON APRIL TWENTY EIGHT THE

SHOWED [REDACTED] COMPLIANCE OFFICER FOR RENO DIVISION OF SAN FRANCISCO  
CPA REGIONAL OFFICE, PLAN DATED JANUARY TWELVE AND STATED CONSTRUCTION

WAS PROCEEDING UNDER THIS PLAN. THEY CONFIRMED THIS BY LETTER AT [REDACTED]  
REQUEST. ON THE FOLLOWING DAY, [REDACTED] WROTE THAT INASMUCH AS

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BUILDING WAS STARTED BEFORE MARCH TWENTY SIX FREEZE ORDER THEY WERE VIOLATING IT. RESPONDENTS THEN CONTINUED CONSTRUCTION AND DURING THE FOURTEEN WEEKS PREVIOUS TO LAST STOP ORDER SPENT OVER SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND COMMITTED THEMSELVES TO ABOUT FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS MORE IN ADDITION TO ABOUT FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS SPENT BEFORE RECEIVING FIRST STOP ORDER. [REDACTED] ADVISED CPA PRESENTED ONLY TWO VERY SKETCHY PLOTS, NEITHER SHOWING ELEVATION AND APPARENTLY HAD MADE LITTLE INVESTIGATION SINCE THE TIME [REDACTED] OKEYI CONTINUED CONSTRUCTION. [REDACTED] STATED HE WAS CONCERNED WITH THE CPA REGULATION THAT THE BUILDING BE "THE SAME AS TO SIZE AND KIND" AS COMMENCED BEFORE MARCH TWENTY SIX AND THE CPA HAD NO PROOF THAT IT IS NOT. THOUGH THERE WAS NO PROOF, [REDACTED] STATED HE PRIVATELY INFERRED A DOUBT AS TO WHETHER BLDG. WAS SAME SIZE FROM [REDACTED] TESTIMONY THAT HE COULD NOT ACTUALLY PUT BUILDING UP FROM PLAN OF JANUARY TWELVE. [REDACTED] THEREFORE DECIDED IN FAVOR OF RESPONDENTS ON FACTS BEFORE HIM BUT ALLOWED CPA UNTIL SEPTEMBER FIVE TO PRODUCE FURTHER EVIDENCE IF DESIRED. UNLESS CPA REQUESTS FURTHER HEARING, CASE WILL BE CLOSED TO [REDACTED] STATED NO ONE APPROACHED HIM ON MATTER. [REDACTED] INTRODUCED SIEG TO HIM AT HEARING, BUT NEITHER FOLLOWED UP THE INTRODUCTION. [REDACTED] CPA ATTORNEY, ASKED [REDACTED] IF FBI AGENTS COULD SIT IN THE HEARING. [REDACTED] HAVING BEEN ADVISED BY US TO KEEP OUT INTEREST MATTER CONFID

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MERELY PASSED IT OFF BY REPLYING THAT THOUGH HEARINGS WERE USUALLY CLOSED HE SUPPOSED ANOTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY MIGHT SIT IN. THIS OFFICE DID NOT CONTACT CPA HERE. REVIEW OF LOGS REFLECTS THAT AT ELEVEN THIRTY AM, AUGUST THIRTEEN LAST, ONE [REDACTED] DEL WEBB CO. - CAME INTO SIEGELS ROOM AND THE NAME [REDACTED] WAS MENTIONED AND THEN BLUEPRINTS OF THE BUILDING WERE DISCUSSED. THE [REDACTED] MENTIONED BY SUBJECT AS BEING ABLE "TO STRAIGHTEN THE WHOLE THING OUT" AS REFERRED TO IN MYTEL TODAY, MAY BE [REDACTED] INVESTIGATOR FOR CPA. IT IS NOTED THAT [REDACTED] - PHONETIC - MENTIONED IN MYTEL OF AUGUST THIRTEEN LAST WAS ORIGINALLY CALLED AT [REDACTED] ONE TEN ED CLUB AND REQUESTED TO COME TO [REDACTED] SUITE AT ST. FRANCIS HOTEL.

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BENJAMIN "BUGGS" SIEGEL. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

SURVEY. FOLLOWING TRANSPIRED YESTERDAY AT ST. FRANCIS HOTEL SUESEHORN

TO MYTEL AUGUST FOURTEEN LAST - AT ELEVEN TEN AM SUBJECT CALLED LA

VEGAS SEVEN ZERO SEVEN ZERO AND TWO ONE EIGHT THREE AND TALKED TO

"BABY". HE MENTIONED THAT AN EXCOP WAS INVESTIGATING THE CASE FOR THE

CPA, THAT THEY WERE AT THE HEARING FIVE HOURS ON THE DAY PREVIOUS AND

HAD TO GO BACK AT ONE THIRTY PM AUGUST FOURTEENTH. HE ASKED "BABY"

TO SEE AN UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL ABOUT GETTING LICENSE FOR FLAMINGO. IN

ASIDE TO [REDACTED] PARENTHESIS APPARENTLY [REDACTED] PARENTHESIS HE

COMPLAINED THEY CLAIMED THERE ARE TWO BUILDINGS INVOLVED AND ASKED HOW

THEY EXPECTED A HOTEL SIX MILES OUTSIDE OF TOWN TO OPERATE WITHOUT A RES-

TAURANT AND ADDED "SOMEBODY GOT THE SETUP. WHAT'S THE IDEA OF PICKING

ON US IF THEY DIDNT". IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER SUBJECT AND [REDACTED] WENT

TO [REDACTED] SUIT. [REDACTED] MENTIONED HE HAD "DIERIFFIC SPEECH" TO

MAKE AT THE HEARING AND REFERRED TO A "YELLOW TICKET" WHILE THE JOB WAS

PROGRESSING. SUBJECT MENTIONED HE COULD GET [REDACTED] UNIDENTIFIED- AND

STRAIGHTEN THE WHOLE THING OUT INSTEAD OF SPENDING MONEY FOR LAWYERS.

SHORTLY THEREAFTER [REDACTED] ENTERED THIS SUITE AND THERE WAS

MENTION OF A PLAN OF MARCH TWENTY TWO AND ANOTHER PLAN OF JANUARY

TWELVE. THEY REFERRED TO A PLAN OF JANUARY TWELVE AS SIX A, AND ALSO

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MENTIONED A PLAN OF MARCH TWENTY TWO. THEY MENTIONED THE PLAN OF JANUARY TWELVE WOULD BE COMPATIBLE WITH THE LETTER UNDER WHICH THEY GOT AUTHORIZATION. THEY MENTIONED THE ~~DEL~~ WEBB COMPANY IS TO <sup>3</sup> / THEY FOLLOWED PLAN SIX A, ALTHOUGH THEY PROCEEDED UNDER THE MARCH TWENTY TWO PLAN. IT WAS MENTIONED THAT THE WEBB COMPANY IS NOT TO KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THE MARCH TWENTY TWO PLAN AND THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS TO HAVE THE WEBB REPRESENTATIVE TESTIFY THAT HE FOLLOWED THE PLAN OF JANUARY TWELVE AND NO OTHER. THE TESTIMONY WAS TO BE THAT THE BUILDING IS TO BE A HORSESHOE OPEN ON ONE END WITH NO DETERMINATION MADE AT THE TIME AS TO WHICH END WOULD BE THE OPEN END AND THE TESTIMONY WAS FURTHER TO BE THAT THERE WAS NO DEVIATION FROM THE PLAN OF JANUARY TWELVE. THERE WAS MENTION THAT ONE [REDACTED] WROTE TO THE DISTRICT MANAGER, WHO APPARENTLY WAS PRESENT -UNIDENTIFIED-, SAYING THAT HE HAD FIXED MATTERS WITH SENATOR ----- -NAME NOT AUDIBLE-. THERE WAS SOME DISCUSSION REGARDING [REDACTED] BUT NO MENTION MADE OF ANY APPROACH TO HIM. HE STATED THEY ONLY HAD TO PROVE THERE WAS ONE BUILDING WHICH WAS STARTED BEFORE THE REGULATION WENT IN, THAT THE CPA GAVE THEM A LETTER ON WHICH THEY RELIED AND IT WAS FURTHER MENTIONED THAT THE ONLY THING THEY DIDNT COMPLY WITH WAS THE FILING OF A PLOT PLAN FOR MARCH TWENTY SEVEN. AT ONE TEN PM THE PARTIES LEFT FOR THE HEARING. AT FOUR TWENTY PM THE PARTIES REENTERED [REDACTED] SUITE AT WHICH TIME AN INDIVIDUAL LATER IDENTIFIED AS [REDACTED] CALLED [REDACTED] [REDACTED] AND TOLD HIM THEY HAD A DECISION IN THEIR

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FAVOR. SUBJECT MENTIONED THEY WERE LEAVING AT SIX THIRTY AND THAT HE WAS GOING TO LAS VEGAS ON THE MORNING OF AUGUST FIFTEEN. AT SIX THIRTY PM [REDACTED] SUBJECT [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] b2  
[REDACTED] BOARDED WESTERN AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE TWO NINE FOR LOS ANGELES, EACH HAD PURCHASED A ROUNDTrip TICKET FROM SAN FRANCISCO TO LOS ANGELES AND RETURN BUT HAD NOT REQUESTED ANY RETURN SPACE. INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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CORRECTION

PAGE 1 LINE 14 WORD 4 SHOULD BE SUITE

PAGE 2 LINE 17 WORD 1 SHOULD BE WAS

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. E. A. TAMM

DATE: 8/16/46

FROM : A. ROSEN

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED

HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

DATE 10/25/85 BY SP-7mjd/da

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Mr. Tolson  
Mr. E. A. Tamm  
Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Ladd  
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Mr. Pennington  
Mr. Quinn Tamm  
Tele. Room  
Mr. Nease  
Miss Gandy

Mr. Ostholthoff, Los Angeles, telephonically advised at this time that in accordance with Bureau instructions about ten days ago to go ahead with an open investigation of the construction of the Flamingo Hotel and any possible irregularities on the part of CPA personnel, that he plans to start this next Monday in this connection. Mr. Ostholthoff plans to go to San Francisco Monday and have Agents go to Reno at that time to talk to [REDACTED] and he is also having Agents in Los Angeles go into CPA records there, at the same time. He stated he wanted to be sure before he goes ahead that they would have the backing of the CPA in Washington in getting the records. b7c

The observation was made by Ostholthoff that it appears the CPA hearing may have been a cover-up as they obviously did not present much of a case. [REDACTED] CPA investigator, had stated before the hearing that they had an open and shut case. [REDACTED] had also stated he had the blue prints which showed that there were two separate buildings and they should have constructed only one. Mr. Ostholthoff stated he did not know whether the blue prints were introduced at the hearing. It was also pointed out by Ostholthoff that a possible perjury may develop in view of the agreement which was made in [REDACTED] room that the Webb Construction would testify they were working from the January plan rather than the March plan. Ostholthoff stated the San Francisco office was using a contact microphone when this information was obtained. Ostholthoff said they will obtain a transcript of the hearing. [REDACTED] advised after the hearing in strict confidence that Senator Pat McCarran was in San Francisco the day of the hearing in case he was needed by the Flamingo people. The Government has until September 5, 1946, to present additional evidence to [REDACTED] b7c

Mr. Ostholthoff stated unless there was a change in Washington he will go ahead on Monday and keep the Bureau advised of developments.

ACTION TAKEN: I told Ostholthoff that I had not seen anything which would change the original instructions.

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AR [REDACTED] b7c



# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D. C.

COMMITTEES:  
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PENSIONS

SPECIAL COMMITTEE:  
INVESTIGATING THE NATIONAL  
DEFENSE PROGRAM

July 26, 1946

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of a letter  
from [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] in which he states  
as follows:


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"There is a matter which I  
believe needs attention. There  
are a lot of \$1000 bills offering  
here at \$750, they can be sold at  
\$850 in Reno, I am told."

I am forwarding the information  
for your consideration. I know nothing  
of either [REDACTED] or the alleged facts  
he mentions.

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Sincerely yours,



William F. Knowland  
United States Senator

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

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File  
[REDACTED] 8-1-46  
[REDACTED] sent to [REDACTED]  
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Honorable William F. Knowland  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C.

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DATE 11/25/85 BY SP-7 MAC/BS

My dear Senator:

It was very kind of you to write  
as you did on July 26, 1946, concerning in-  
formation received from [redacted]

[redacted]  
about the sale of \$1000 bills. It appears  
that this matter comes within the investiga-  
tive jurisdiction of the Secret Service  
Division, United States Treasury Department,  
and I have taken the liberty of advising that  
agency of the information you sent to me.

With expressions of my highest  
esteem and best regards,

Sincerely yours,  
J. Edgar Hoover

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cc Mr. Rosen

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

ROUTINE

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

SAC, LOS ANGELES - ATTENTION A. E. OSTHOLTHOFF

Transmit the following message to:

BENJAMIN QUOTE BUCH UNQUOTE SIEGEL, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION, CRIME SURVEY.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH PAST INSTRUCTIONS THE BUREAU DESIRES TO BE PROMPTLY ADVISED  
WHenever A NEW TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE IS CONTEMPLATED IN THE COVERING OF  
BENJAMIN SIEGEL'S ACTIVITIES. DESPITE THE FACT THAT BLANKET AUTHORITY HAS  
BEEN GRANTED IN SO FAR AS SIEGEL IS CONCERNED, PRIOR TO EVERY INSTALLATION  
ON SIEGEL, AUTHORITY MUST BE OBTAINED FROM THE BUREAU AND THE BUREAU ADVISED  
THAT COMPLETE SECURITY WILL BE MAINTAINED. FURTHER, IMMEDIATELY UPON SETTING  
UP THE INSTALLATION THE BUREAU MUST BE ADVISED CONCERNING THE TIME AND DATE  
OF THE INSTALLATION, THE SYMBOL ASSIGNED, THE NUMBER OF THE TELEPHONE INVOLVED,  
AND THE LOCATION OF THE <sup>PLANT</sup>PHONE. SUTEL DETAILS OF ANY TECHNICAL WORK EMPLOYED  
ON SIEGEL IN ST. FRANCIS HOTEL, SAN FRANCISCO.

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Per

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Los Angeles (13) California  
August 6, 1946

Director, FBI

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Re: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
MISCELLANEOUS; INFORMATION CONCERNING  
CRIME SURVEY

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is requested to secure from the Treasury Department  
[REDACTED] b6

Very truly yours,

~~REDACTED~~  
[REDACTED]

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ON 7/25/83

A. E. Osterhout  
A. E. OSTHOLTHOFF

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W. L. [REDACTED]  
5/12/46  
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Set Sec of Treasury  
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cc Mr. Tamm  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. McCabe  
Mr. O'Grady

August 15, 1946

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The Honorable,  
The Secretary of the Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

It would be very much appreciated if you would forward  
uncertified copies of the 1943, 1944, and 1945 income tax  
returns of Benjamin Siegel, 250 Delafra Drive, Holmby Hills,  
Los Angeles, California.

IRS

This information is desired in connection with an  
official investigation being conducted by the Federal Bureau  
of Investigation of this Department.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Tom C. Clark

Attorney General. *Ken 8/15*

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WASH FROM LOSA 1

11:16 AM

DIRECTOR

URGENT

BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, INFO CONCERNING, MISC., CRIME SURVEY.  
REFERENCE IS MADE TO TELEPHONE CALL BETWEEN BUREAU AND SAC R. B.  
HOOD ON EVENING OF [REDACTED] CONCERNING THE INFO RELATIVE  
TO THE ALLEGED PLAN TO [REDACTED]

OSTHOLTHOFF

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ON 10/5/85

Reference is made to my communication to the Director dated August 12, 1946, entitled as above, in which I mentioned the belief that [REDACTED]

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DIRECTOR

Re: SACFA

August 16, 1946

With reference to the information previously furnished telephonically by Mr. OSMUNDSON from Los Angeles concerning [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] an opportunity was found recently to cover portions of a conversation taking place in Cottage E56, at the Hotel. An apparently friendly card game was in progress at the time and during a long discussion of various horses at the Del Mar Track, an unidentified person made a statement to the effect that no bookie at the track need have any worry about the FBI and its activities because that organization was not interested in bookmaking; that "the FBI goes strictly for the big stuff".

It was noted that next door [REDACTED] a dice game was in progress but it was apparent that it was only an amateur affair.

[REDACTED]

With reference to Mr. OSTHOLTHOFF's letter to me of August 13, 1946, concerning a contact between [REDACTED] in Los Angeles, at which time [REDACTED] that "those guys who inquired about these two fellows at the hotel room are 'whiskers' and they were from out of town and this information was for out-of-town use". This conversation undoubtedly refers to [REDACTED] describe in my letter of August 13, 1946, in this matter. The inquiry discussed between [REDACTED] is believed to refer to inquiries made at the Hotel, probably of the Hotel management, by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

My previous correspondence indicates that [REDACTED] had been ejected from the Jockey Club premises at the Del Mar Track as an objectionable character. He proceeded to Los Angeles thereafter and is known to have contacted [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] in a effort to be reinstated at the Jockey Club. On August 15, 1946, it is known that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] now has a box in the Club House and the Agents who had had him under surveillance had other sources believe that he is engaged in making a book. However, he has not been seen to handle any money.

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DIRECTOR, FBI

RE: SACCA

August 16, 1946

I stated in my letter to the Director dated August 12, 1946, that at the time [REDACTED] was ejected from the Jockey Club he was carrying the admittance book of an individual [REDACTED] b7c

Information from Los Angeles indicated that this book is registered in the name of [REDACTED]. The identity of this individual is not known and the Los Angeles Field Division is requested to furnish San Diego with any pertinent information concerning him.

Mr. OSTHOLTHOFF has advised me that [REDACTED] has been in contact with [REDACTED] an employee of the Del Mar Hotel. The identity [REDACTED] has not been definitely established, but efforts toward that end are now being made.

Very truly yours,

W. A. MURPHY  
SAC

[REDACTED] b7c  
62-477

cc's: 1-San Diego File 94-43  
1-Los Angeles File 62-232  
Attention: Mr. A. E. Ostholthoff  
2-Chicago File 62-3679  
Attention: Mr. E. J. Connelley  
Assistant Director

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August 1, 1946

SAC, SAN DIEGO

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ON 10/25/83

DEL MAR TURF CLUB  
CRIME SURVEY IN SAN DIEGO FIELD DIVISION

Due to receipt of rumors that BUCK SIEMEL had secured an interest in the Del Mar Turf Club, it was deemed advisable to interview [REDACTED] to ascertain factual data with respect to the present ownership of the club.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] had heard rumors that SIEMEL had acquired an interest in the Del Mar Turf Club. He attributes such a rumor to the following circumstances:

RAMON  
STON

An individual [REDACTED] has within the past several months purchased the Del Mar Hotel and the El Rancho Vegas at Las Vegas, a gambling house, in which SIEMEL may have had an interest. [REDACTED] thinks it is possible that persons knowing of [REDACTED] purchase of El Rancho Vegas may have misinterpreted the transaction, particularly in view of his

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DIRECTOR, FBI

August 1, 1946

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

The New York Office is requested to advise the Bureau and San Diego Office of any information in its files concerning [REDACTED] which may be of interest.

The Chicago Office is requested to ascertain through its sources data concerning the identity of [REDACTED]

A copy of this communication is being furnished the Los Angeles Office for its information.

cc - Chicago  
Los Angeles  
New York  
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FBI SAN FRANCISCO

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DIRECTOR AND SAC LOS ANGELES URGENT

BENJAMIN "BUCK" SIEGEL, MISC., INFO-CONCERNING, CRIME SURVEY. FOR

PURPOSES OF CLARIFICATION THE FOLLOWING CORRECTIONS ARE BEING MADE -  
LINES TWENTY AND TWENTY ONE OF NYTEL OF AUGUST THIRTEEN LAST SHOULD  
READ [REDACTED] CLAIMS SUBJECT AND ASSOCIATES ARE BACKING

[REDACTED] AGAINST HIM AND [REDACTED] IS PUTTING THE HEAT ON. ANOTHER  
PERSON ASKED IF THEY WERE BACKING [REDACTED] AND SIEGEL SAID HE DIDN'T  
CARE IF BOTH BREAK THEIR LEGS. LINES NINE AND TEN OF NYTEL AUGUST  
FOURTEEN LAST SHOULD READ [REDACTED] MET IN

SIEGEL'S ROOM. LINES TWENTY THREE TO TWENTY FIVE OF NYTEL OF  
AUGUST FIFTEEN LAST SHOULD READ [REDACTED] COVERED UP ONE OF THE PLANTS  
WELL NEARBY. IT IS TO SAY THEY FOLLOWED PLAN SET [REDACTED] HOWEVER, EVEN  
THOUGH THEY PROCEEDED UNDER MARCH TWENTY TWO PLAN, IT WENT TO A  
SINGLE CONTINUOUS BUILDING. AT THIS POINT, SOMEONE DROVE TO NEW ORLEANS  
WENT FOR A [REDACTED] AND KNOW NOTHING OF MARCH TWENTY TWO PLAN. THE PLANS WERE LOST  
THIRTY THREE AND THIRTY FIVE OF NYTEL AUGUST FIFTEEN LAST. SUBJECT  
MANAGE APARTMENT AT [REDACTED]

FOR ALL INFO. LOSTER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

INFORMATION [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

THIRTY FIVE AM, AUGUST THIRTEEN LAST SIEGEL MENTIONED TO [REDACTED] THAT SOMEONE TRIED A FIFTE THOUSAND DOLLAR SHAKEDOWN ON HIM AND HE BROOKED BEAST OUT OF HIM. AT TEN FORTY AM AUGUST THIRTEEN LAST SIEGEL TALKED [REDACTED] IN THE LATTERS SUITE. ONE, APPARENTLY [REDACTED] MENTIONED [REDACTED] AND TWO OTHER SENATORS. HE SAID HE FIRST MET [REDACTED] WHEN HE WAS U. S. ATTORNEY [REDACTED]

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM SAC, NEW YORK  
SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

RE NEW YORK 8-20-46

DIRECTOR, NEW YORK ATTENTION ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, NEW YORK  
RE NEW YORK 8-20-46 SUBJECT: MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION  
CONCERNING CRIME SURVEY.

[REDACTED] TOLD NEW YORK LAST WEDNESDAY AFTER CPA HEARING AT SAN FRANCISCO  
THAT HE IS CONCERNED ABOUT THE FUTURE OF PLANTING HOTEL. HE SAID  
THAT HE IS WORRIED THE HOTEL WILL BE TAKEN OVER BY THE GOVERNMENT  
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[REDACTED] ST. LOUIS, MO. 8-20-46  
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*[CONF. INET]*  
BENJAMIN QUOTE BUGS UNQUOTE SIEGEL MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION  
CONCERNING CRIME SURVEY *[redacted]* FOR CPA AT LOS  
ANGELES IS AN OLD FRIEND OF SIEGEL, HAVING WORKED  
SEVERAL YEARS AGO IN CONNECTION WITH AN INVESTIGATION ON  
BEHALF OF SIEGEL IN CONNECTION WITH THE TRIAL OF LUCKY LUCIANO.  
SIEGEL STATED THAT DURING THE RECENT HEARING AT SAN FRANCISCO,  
SIEGEL TOLD SIEGEL THAT HE DID NOT KNOW THAT SIEGEL WAS INTERESTED  
IN THE FLAMINGO HOTEL AND IF HE HAD, THERE WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN SO  
MUCH TROUBLE CAUSED. *[redacted]*

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BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL, INFO CONCERNING, CRIME SURVEY. REBUTEL  
AUGUST TWO LAST. [REDACTED] UNABLE TO FURNISH ADDITIONAL  
INFORMATION AND HE HAS BEEN ATTEMPTING TO CONVINCE HIS ORIGI-  
NAL SOURCE THAT THIS INDIVIDUAL SHOULD COOPERATE WITH THE FBI  
IN MAKING COMPLETE FACTS AVAILABLE. THIS OFFICE MAINTAINING  
CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] WHO TO DATE HAS BEEN UNABLE TO CON-  
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BEING FOLLOWED AND BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. E. A. TAMM

DATE:  
August 20, 1946

FROM : R. A. ROSEN

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Call 3:30 PM

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
 Miss Beahm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Ostholthoff telephonically furnished the following information at this time from San Francisco. Ostholthoff stated he talked with [REDACTED] of the Compliance Section of CPA, and [REDACTED] who presented the matter before the Commissioner. They refused to allow Ostholthoff to look at their files and would not give him the name of the reporter who is recording the hearings, the theory being that this is still an open matter with them and they cannot let any other Government agency look at any of their files while the matter is pending. Mr. Ostholthoff stated that he asked [REDACTED] if the respondents, the builders, could have transcripts of the hearings. [REDACTED] replied that they could, if they paid the fee.

[REDACTED] said there are some things off-the-record he wanted to go over with the Commissioner and urged Ostholthoff not to do anything until September 5 when there will be additional hearings.

Mr. Ostholthoff also talked with [REDACTED] for the CPA, today, and he again stated he had no control over [REDACTED]. Ostholthoff stated that [REDACTED] man in Reno made the information there available to our Agent, in connection with the plans for the construction of the Flamingo Hotel.

The Commissioner ruled that the Government did not present a case sufficient to justify the stop order, and, therefore, the construction of the building could continue. The Commissioner said he will give the Government until September 5 to present some new evidence to justify the stop order.

Ostholthoff said that he can go ahead without the file, although it would be much easier with it. Ostholthoff will take no further action regarding getting this material from [REDACTED] until he hears from the Bureau.

ACTION TAKEN

Ostholthoff was directed to prepare a memorandum outlining just what the situation is and forward it to the Bureau AMSD for my attention. It was pointed out that the Bureau probably will go over to CPA, and if we cannot handle it directly we will probably handle it through the offices of the Attorney General. I told Ostholthoff he would be advised as to what action the Bureau takes in this regard. I also pointed out to Ostholthoff that in making these open inquiries he must be sure that they are confined to matters within the Bureau's investigative jurisdiction and not reveal our interest in any particular individuals.

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# Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. E. A. TAMM

DATE: 8/19/46

FROM : A. ROSEN

Call 5:40 pm

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Mr. Ostholthoff telephonically furnished the following information at this time from San Francisco. He stated that he and another Agent had gone to the CPA headquarters at San Francisco and talked with [REDACTED] for the CPA, and explained they wanted to look into the construction of the Flamingo Hotel. [REDACTED] was quite cooperative and he contacted the CPA man at Reno and told him to give our Agent anything he wanted.

However, Mr. Ostholthoff stated that [REDACTED] of the Compliance Section of CPA, is not answerable to [REDACTED] but directly under their Washington office, and when Ostholthoff asked him to go over the file on the Flamingo Hotel, [REDACTED] refused. [REDACTED] stated they had until September 5 to present more evidence to the commissioner and he said the Bureau investigation would probably interfere with their investigation. Ostholthoff asked [REDACTED] if they intended to conduct some investigation and [REDACTED] stated he did not know what they were going to do, that they were going to have a conference with the legal staff and go into the matter and for Ostholthoff to come back tomorrow. Ostholthoff stated he asked [REDACTED] the name of the court reporter who took the testimony of the hearing and [REDACTED] said he did not think he should give that to him. [REDACTED] said he did not think he should give us a transcript of the testimony until such time as he is finished with his investigation. Mr. Ostholthoff stated that [REDACTED] superior in Washington and he wanted to know if the Bureau desired to contact him. He stated he wanted to advise the Bureau regarding [REDACTED] as he did not know whether he intended to contact their Washington office.

ACTION TAKEN: I told Mr. Ostholthoff to make a formal request of [REDACTED] tomorrow for the material desired, pointing out that we do not feel justified in having two investigations running concurrent and that we are going ahead with ours, and that we certainly feel it is the duty of Government agencies to cooperate.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. Rosen *b7c*

FROM : [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
INFORMATION CONCERNING  
CRIME SURVEY

DATE: August 27, 1946

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Mr. Hendon  
Mr. Pennington  
Mr. Quinn Tamm  
Tele. Room  
Mr. Nease  
Miss Gandy

Mr. Ostholthoff, Los Angeles, telephonically furnished the following information.

CONFERENCE OF SIEGEL, [REDACTED] AT LAS VEGAS *b7c*

From 11:40 P.M., August 20, 1946, to 1:50 A.M., a conference, which was covered by Agents, was held in Ben Siegel's hotel room at Las Vegas which was attended by Siegel, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] commented upon the fact that he and [REDACTED] were having considerable difficulty in arranging for a loan for further construction of the Flamingo Hotel from the Los Angeles banks. [REDACTED] is reported to have been told by a friend of his, unidentified, who is an executive in the Bank of America, that the reason the banks were unwilling to consider a loan was because Siegel was being investigated by the FBI. [REDACTED] told [REDACTED] that he had communicated with the Los Angeles FBI Office and had learned that the Bureau was investigating the case for two reasons: (1) to determine if any bribe was paid in connection with the construction of the Flamingo Hotel and (2) to ascertain the sources of Ben Siegel's money. Mr. Ostholthoff stated that no call was made to any person in the Los Angeles Division and he is of the opinion that [REDACTED] had made no call and was merely guessing as to the reasons why the FBI might be investigating this matter. *b7c*

[REDACTED] suggested to Siegel that [REDACTED] thought it would be a good idea for Siegel to go to the office of the FBI and ask why they were investigating him. Siegel stated that if the FBI wanted to talk to him they could come and see him. [REDACTED] pointed out to Siegel that the FBI would never come to see him and it might be to his interest to find out what the matter was about. Siegel then indicated he would consider it. *b*

POLITICAL CONNECTIONS

Siegel stated that he had made a \$500 contribution to the campaign fund for [REDACTED] on August 20, 1946, and that he was not concerned with Senator McCarran because he was already cooperative. Siegel indicated he might attempt to obtain a RFC loan in connection with the construction of the Flamingo Hotel. [REDACTED] suggested to Siegel that when he next saw Senator McCarran he should caution Senator McCarran "to play cozy" in the event Senator McCarran was questioned by the FBI concerning their activities. *b*

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Mr. Ostholthoff advised that information was previously furnished concerning the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He advised that at 7:17 P.M., August 20, 1946, Siegel received a telephone call in which the following conversation took place:

Caller: "Ben"

Siegel: [REDACTED] where are you - in Cleveland?"  
[REDACTED]

Siegel: "I will see you tomorrow, at least I will see you tomorrow night."

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] was subsequently located in Las Vegas. Siegel has reservations to leave Las Vegas by air for Chicago at 6:30 P.M., August 21, 1946. Arrangements have been made to maintain a physical surveillance on Siegel when he arrives at Chicago.

NEW CONSTRUCTION FLAMINGO HOTEL

Mr. Ostholthoff advises that the pointed issue with the CPA in the construction of the Flamingo Hotel is whether or not there is more than one building. It would appear that there are actually three buildings: (1) the Casino, (2) the hotel itself, and (3) a building for stores in connection with the hotel. Siegel and his associates maintain that the same constitutes merely one building and they have planned connecting all three buildings by walls and roofs at an expenditure of \$15,000 so that there can be no question as to the fact they constitute one building. At the same time they are planning to erect a high fence around the project so that no one will be able to observe the construction from the street.

ACTION BEING TAKEN

The case will be followed closely and you will be advised of all developments.

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DIRECTOR, SACS URGENT

BENJAMIN QUOTE BUGS UNQUOTE SIEGEL INFORMATION CONCERNING, MISC.,  
CRIME SURVEY. REMYLET HAS RETURNED TO  
LAS VEGAS.

ST. PAUL TO BE ADVISED SEPARATELY. INDEXED 34 OSTROTHOFF  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. E. A. TAMM *SAG*

FROM : A. ROSEN *0*

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

DATE: 8/27/46

Call: 2:30 p.m.

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Mr. E. A. Tamm  
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Mr. Ladd  
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At this time Mr. Ostholthoff of Los Angeles, telephonically advised that former Agent [redacted] came into the office and talked with Mr. Hood and Mr. Ostholthoff. He advised he was representing [redacted] and that they had asked him to tell them they were ready and willing to come into the office and answer any questions asked of them.

Mr. Ostholthoff stated that he and Mr. Hood advised [redacted] that they felt that [redacted] as any citizen, would answer any question we asked.

Former Agent [redacted] is now running a detective agency and was apparently hired as public relations counsel to carry this message to the Los Angeles Division.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. Rosen

DATE: August 26, 1946

FROM : [REDACTED] b7c

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
INFORMATION CONCERNING;  
MISCELLANEOUS; CRIME SURVEYALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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The attention of Assistant Special Agent in Charge Notesteen, St. Paul, was called to the letter dated August 20, 1946, from the Los Angeles Division to the Bureau, copies of which were directed to the Saint Paul Office.

He was advised that the information furnished concerning the alleged plan [REDACTED] was to be treated as confidential and was not to be disclosed to anyone, and no inquiries were to be made. He was instructed, however, that if any information was received concerning this matter it should be immediately called to the attention of the Bureau.

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**  
**United States Department of Justice**  
**Los Angeles (13) California**  
**August 20, 1946**

Director, FBI

Attention: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ROSEN

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

Re: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
INFORMATION CONCERNING;  
MISCELLANEOUS; CRIME SURVEY

DECLASSIFIED BY SP-7 mac/06  
ON 10/25/83

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the telephonic conversation between the Bureau and Special Agent R. B. HOOD on the evening of August 19, 1946 regarding the allegation that [REDACTED]

It was reported that [REDACTED] had left from Las Vegas on the evening of August 18, 1946 for Minneapolis. From the information available, it was thought that [REDACTED] would take place during this week. The reason for the plan [REDACTED] was believed to be that BEN SIEGEL was running low on money for the hotel (Hotel Flamingo, Las Vegas, Nevada) and he is using this method to obtain more money.

Regarding [REDACTED] the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated August 14, 1946 at Minneapolis in the CAPGA Case sets forth information regarding [REDACTED]

The report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated August 16, 1946 at Cleveland in the CAPGA Case reflects information regarding [REDACTED] beginning on Page 112. [REDACTED]



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Director, FBI

August 20, 1946

Re: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL

[REDACTED] b7C  
[REDACTED] Photographs [REDACTED] were enclosed with the referenced report of Special Agent [REDACTED] and were furnished to the Bureau, Assistant Director E. J. CONNELLEY at Chicago and to Salt Lake City.

It was determined telephonically through Special Agent [REDACTED] b7C  
[REDACTED] Las Vegas, on August 20, 1946 that a [REDACTED] who is believed to be [REDACTED] had left Las Vegas at 8:30 p.m. on August 17, 1946 via T.W.A. Flight Number 4, Plane Number 339 on a ticket purchased to Chicago. It was indicated there was to be a plane change at Kansas City. However, there was no reservation for [REDACTED] from Kansas City to Chicago. He can go by Mid-Continent Airlines to Minneapolis from Kansas City or via the Baniff Airlines. He could also go on to Chicago and take the T.W.A. plane to Minneapolis.  
[REDACTED]

With regard to BENJAMIN SIEGEL, Agent [REDACTED] advised that on August 17, 1946 SIEGEL had requested the Western Airlines for reservations on the 21st to Chicago. Western Airlines confirmed these reservations and he would leave at 9:20 a.m. on August 21, 1946, but he was informed that the United Airlines was unable to confirm his reservation from Denver to Chicago. The first available space from Denver was reported as being September 9, 1946. However, he might obtain last-minute cancellation from Denver to Chicago. b7C

No action should be taken with regard to the information regarding the alleged plan [REDACTED] pending instructions to the contrary from the Bureau. It is requested, however, that the Chicago Field Division make available photographs [REDACTED] which photographs were previously furnished to the Chicago Field Division in the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] mentioned herein, to St. Paul. b7C b7D

For the assistance of the Chicago and St. Paul Field Divisions, there are attached two photographs of BENJAMIN SIEGEL for each of those offices.

The following is a physical description of BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL:

Born	February 28, 1906 at New York
Age	40

Director, FBI

August 20, 1946

Re: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL

Height	5' 9"
Weight	157
Hair	Dark brown
Eyes	Gray-green
Race	Jewish
FBI Number	190586
Education	8 years grade school
Occupation	Betting commissioner and investment broker
Parents	MAX and JEANNIS SIEGEL

*b7c*

Very truly yours,

*A. E. Ostholhoff*

A. E. OSTHOLTHOFF

*b7c*  
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CC: Chicago (Attention: Asst. Director E. J. CONNELLEY), Encl. 2 AMSD  
St. Paul AMSD, Encl. 2

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: August 22, 1946

FROM : SAC, BOSTON

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGAL,  
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING  
CRIME SURVEYALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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DATE 10/23/85 BY SP-7 mac/pjs

Reference is made to the teletype from the Los Angeles Field Office on August 13, 1946 to the Bureau, New York and this office in connection with the above captioned matter.

The Boston Office was requested to advise the Los Angeles Office of the activities of [REDACTED] and the identity of [REDACTED] b7c

Your attention is called to the investigation [REDACTED] was., Miscellaneous Information Concerning," of which Washington Field is origin. Reports available in this office on that case reflect [REDACTED] b7c

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While the Boston Office will continue its investigative activity in the above, inasmuch as it closely fits into the Capra matter in this area it was thought that the offices interested might desire the above information. It is noted that [REDACTED] mentioned in referenced teletype could be [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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cc New York City  
cc Los Angeles

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: August 15, 1946

FROM : A. E. OSTHOLTHOFF

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
MISCELLANEOUS; INFORMATION CONCERNING;  
CRIME SURVEY

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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This is to advise that on July 22, 1946 a news article appeared in the LOS ANGELES EXAMINER under the caption "Sleuths Scrutinize Gin Rummy Game", in which was reported that the cards of a \$3,000,000 swindle "were laid on the table of Hollywood film colony yesterday". Listed among the victims were Colonel LEON MANDEL, Chicago Department Store magnate, who was reportedly taken for \$115,000 which was settled for \$95,000; SAM GOLDWIN, the Producer, was reportedly another big loser to the amount of \$40,000. The article indicated that Detectives MICHAEL MAC DOUGALL, exposé extraordinary of the card sharks and RAY SHINDLER, a New York Private Operative, were said to have been employed by MANDEL and two ranking Hollywood producers to investigate.

With reference to the above-mentioned article, the following information has been brought to the attention of this office in connection with the investigation being conducted with regard to subject SIEGEL. On August 4, 1946, it was reported by [redacted] that [redacted] had contacted [redacted] at which time there was a general discussion of propositions available in Las Vegas. [redacted] indicated he had a friend who was a lawyer in New York by the name of [redacted] (phonetic), who desired to place some money in a proposition. A discussion was had with regard to the new Hotel Flamingo at Las Vegas.

Further, [redacted] advised the fellows involved were [redacted] and [redacted] also indicated there was nothing to the story, that it was just newspaper talk. He related that [redacted] had beaten MANDEL in the amount of \$115,000, but had never collected a "nickel". [redacted] related that "they", undoubtedly meaning [redacted] were "moving around [redacted] among the good set".

On August 9, 1946, [redacted] reported that [redacted] had contacted BEN SIEGEL, at which time SIEGEL discussed at some length numerous difficulties that he was having with the C.P.A. [redacted] to the building of the new Flamingo Hotel at Las Vegas. [redacted] indicated that he had spoken to [redacted]

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Director, FBI

August 15, 1946

Re: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL

and he wanted to talk to [redacted] on the same thing as he had discussed with [redacted] indicated that [redacted] name was "tangled" up in the same matter and that the information had come [redacted] connecting [redacted] name with [redacted] undoubtedly [redacted] SIEGEL indicated that [redacted] was away and that undoubtedly he (SIEGEL) could give any information [redacted] desired. [redacted] related that the people who were hiring him had said that [redacted] was a buddy of [redacted] SIEGEL stated that [redacted] had not seen [redacted] in a year and one-half and that he has not talked to him more than five times in his whole life. SIEGEL stated: "You can put that in your report". [redacted] indicated he desired information on [redacted] background; however, SIEGEL indicated that [redacted] did not know [redacted] or "any one of them". SIEGEL stated: "You can say that you interviewed him in your report". This conversation was closed when SIEGEL stated that if "there is something I hear or that you want to know, just give me a call". The same confidential source as mentioned above indicates that SIEGEL, [redacted] and [redacted] had been in contact with each other on several occasions. b7c

With reference to the name of [redacted] previously mentioned, the Los Angeles Field Office files indicate that [redacted] b7c

Regarding [redacted] the Los Angeles Field Office files reflect that on August 13, 1946, Los Angeles, advised that [redacted] is an associate of SIEGEL and GEORGE RAFT. [redacted]

Further, a letter from the Chicago Field Office dated August 12, 1946 in the CAPGA Case advised that [redacted] and other prominent members of the Chicago gambling syndicate meet frequently. [redacted] b7c b7D

Regarding the identity of [redacted] the Los Angeles Files reflect a case entitled [redacted] The Bureau was advised as to the inquiries made at Los Angeles in the report of Special Agent [redacted] b7c b7D

Director, FBI

August 15, 1946

Re: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL

dated April 26, 1945 at Los Angeles.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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With reference to [REDACTED] your attention is directed to my letter dated July 3, 1946 in the case entitled RACKETEERING ACTIVITIES, LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION, in which information was set forth concerning SIEGEL's having contacted [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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The above data is merely brought to the attention of the Bureau for its information and should further information of this nature come to the attention of this office it will be furnished to the Bureau.

[REDACTED] bx  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. E. A. TAMM ✓  
 FROM : A. ROSEN  
 SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
 MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

DATE: 8/27/46

Call: 2:30 p.m.

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Egan \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Gurnea \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Pennington \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
 Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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 At this time I telephonically advised Mr. Ostholtzoff in Los Angeles that [REDACTED] of the C.P.A. Office located at 1355 Market Street, San Francisco, will furnish any records or information desired. I told him the Bureau had contacted the C.P.A. here and they telephonically instructed [REDACTED] to make this material available. b7c

Mr. Ostholtzoff stated he would try to get to San Francisco tonight so he could see [REDACTED] the first thing tomorrow morning.

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Transmit the following message to:

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CAPOL. REVER BULLET DATED JULY SEVENTEEN LAST TO WASHINGTON FIELD,  
COPY YOUR OFFICE, REQUESTING BACKGROUND AND PREVIOUS ASSOCIATES OF  
[REDACTED] IN ST PAUL AND MINNEAPOLIS AREAS. SUTEL INFORMATION  
DEVELOPED TO DATE AND SUBMIT DETAILED MEMORANDUM COVERING INVESTIGATION  
TO REACH BUREAU NO LATER THAN AUGUST SIXTEEN NEXT.

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- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
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- Mr. Rosen
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- Miss Gandy

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cc-M. Rosen

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SAC, Los Angeles Attention: A. E. Ostholtzoff

August 19, 1946

Director, FBI

BENJAMIN "BOSS" STEGEL  
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING  
CRIME SURVEY

There is enclosed herewith [redacted] for your information  
in connection with the investigation of the above-entitled case.

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: August 20, 1946

FROM : SA A. E. OSTHOLTHOFF

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
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CONCERNING; CRIME SURVEYAIR MAIL  
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Attention: Assistant Director A. ROSEN

This memo will confirm the telephone conversations between the writer and Assistant Director ROSEN on August 19 and August 20, 1946.

Special Agent [redacted] of the San Francisco Office and myself on August 19, 1946, interviewed [redacted] of the Civilian Production Administration, 1355 Market Street, San Francisco, California. [redacted] was advised that we were interested in going over the files of the CPA in connection with the construction of the Flamingo Hotel at Las Vegas, Nevada; that we had information that there was possibly fraud against the Government involved in connection with the original permission granted to the builders of the Flamingo Hotel. [redacted] stated that he was not fully acquainted with the facts in the matter but that [redacted] for CPA, would have the complete file on this matter. [redacted] explained that he does not control the activities of [redacted] but that [redacted] reports directly to [redacted] of the Compliance Division of the CPA at Washington, D. C.

[redacted] came to the office of [redacted] at which time we requested that he permit us to review the file on the Flamingo Hotel. [redacted] he stated that he could not do this in view of the fact that an investigation was pending with regard to this matter. He advised that he did not know what further investigation would be conducted by the CPA and stated he was to have a conference with the legal staff of the CPA on August 19, 1946, and requested that we return on August 20, 1946.

On August 20, 1946, a conference was held at the office of [redacted] at which were present [redacted]

[redacted] and Special Agent [redacted] and the writer. At this time we again requested [redacted] to go over the entire matter with us, and they advised that they would not let us see the files nor would they discuss fully the facts developed by CPA in their investigation nor would they furnish us the facts brought out at the hearing before [redacted] by both the Government and the respondents. We also formally requested the name of the reporting firm preparing the transcript of the hearing held before [redacted] [redacted] said that he would not furnish that to us. At this point [redacted] stated that after the transcript is prepared by the reporter he desired to go

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over the transcript with [REDACTED] in view of the fact that there were some matters in the transcript which were off the record. While [REDACTED] did not state he intended to change the record, the inference was there. b7c

It was pointed out to both [REDACTED] that the FBI had jurisdiction to investigate fraud against the Government cases and that was the reason for our request for information. [REDACTED] requested that we defer any investigation until after September 5, 1946, and stated that in the meantime the CPA plans to conduct investigation which they hoped will result in [REDACTED] ruling in favor of the CPA. He said that any investigation by the FBI would interfere with the CPA case. He was asked how an FBI investigation would interfere, and he stated that he did not know. b7c

Both [REDACTED] were pressed repeatedly for information concerning this matter, and [REDACTED] finally dismissed all questions by stating that he would not furnish us any information unless he were instructed to do so by his superiors in Washington. b7c

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AEO [REDACTED] b7c



## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. ROSEN

DATE: August 26,  
1946  
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FROM : [REDACTED] b7c

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN SIEGEL, with aliases  
INFORMATION CONCERNING; MISCELLANEOUS  
CRIME SURVEYALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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DATE 10/25/93 BY SP-7 JAC/BJP

PURPOSE

To advise you that in connection with investigation being conducted concerning a possible Fraud Against the Government violation angle by Siegel in the construction of the Flamingo Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, difficulty was encountered by Agents making inquiries of [REDACTED] for the Civilian Production Administration and [REDACTED] for CPA. [REDACTED] would not cooperate with the Bureau and refused to allow Agents to examine the CPA files and further they would not furnish any facts brought out in a hearing held on August 13 unless they were instructed to do so by [REDACTED] of the CPA in Washington, D.C. [REDACTED] has advised that the regulations of the CPA specifically prohibit field offices of CPA to furnish information to other agencies.

BACKGROUND

On the basis that the construction of the Flamingo Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, is being built in violation of a freeze order issued by the CPA in March of 1946, a possible Fraud Against the Government violation investigation was instituted against Benjamin Siegel. Information along this line was originally furnished by [REDACTED] of Los Angeles that the construction of the Flamingo Hotel has not progressed further than "a few stakes being driven in the ground" when the freeze order regulating all commercial building under CPA went into effect. The freeze order of the CPA went into effect on March 26, 1946.

[REDACTED] further reported that when the order came through the construction had not progressed far enough to qualify for the granting of a permit for its continuance. [REDACTED] further informed that it was rumored that through [REDACTED] funds were made available to Senator Pat McCarran of Nevada and shortly thereafter construction was authorized. [REDACTED] further reported that after construction continued, the records of the construction company were falsified to show that the construction had progressed to a greater extent than it had as of March 26, 1946 when the freeze order became effective.

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An editorial appeared in the Las Vegas Tribune, a weekly newspaper, on August 1, 1946 complaining of the fact that the Federal authorities were permitting the construction of the Flamingo Hotel while the veterans were homeless due to a shortage of building material.

STOP ORDER

On August 8, 1946 Mr. Ostholtzoff at Los Angeles advised that information was received on that date to the effect that a "stop order" had been issued against [REDACTED]

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Siegel and his associates in connection with the construction of the Flamingo Hotel at Las Vegas. This stop order was dated August 7, 1946. At the time the stop order was issued the attorney for Siegel in Las Vegas, Nevada, [redacted] requested the regional office of the CPA in San Francisco to allow the construction of the building to be continued pending the outcome of the hearing, b7c which was scheduled within a week. The request [redacted] was complied with.

#### BUILDING PLAN

[redacted] of the CPA, upon being contacted by Agents informed that the CPA regulations specifically prohibited a person in the field from giving information to other agencies. [redacted] off the record, showed a diagram of the Flamingo Hotel, which comprised the Casino, the kitchen and the dining room surrounded by a 200-room hotel, a series of stores and a series of cottages which would complete the layout. [redacted] advised that Building No. 1, which comprised the Casino, kitchen and dining room, was actually under construction prior to the original CPA freeze order issued on March 26, 1946. However, none of the other buildings were under construction nor were there any connecting tunnels or conduits indicating that they were a part of the structure under progress. According to [redacted] relative buildings under construction, such as these wherein separate and distinct buildings were being built, the CPA has always refused to permit any further building except the ones actually under construction prior to the freeze order. [redacted] pointed out to the Agents that based on previous CPA decisions in similar cases he did not see how it would be possible for the CPA to give the Flamingo Hotel permission to continue with its construction. He stated that the CPA had an "open and shut case against Siegel".

#### EVIDENCE PRESENTED AT HEARING

At the hearing held on August 13, 1946, before [redacted] who was appointed to hear the matter, he has advised that the architects for the Flamingo Hotel presented a plan dated January 12 and contended that this was the plan followed in the construction of the Flamingo Hotel. [redacted] pointed out at the hearing that this plan lacked details such as elevation and he, therefore, questioned whether they could proceed with the building, using only the plans of January 12. The contractors for Siegel further produced a letter directed to the CPA dated April 17, 1946, in response to a wire from the CPA dated April 16, which stated that they must stop construction if the construction was in violation of the freeze order. The respondents produced a letter to the effect that they were proceeding on the plan of January 12 and as the building was started before March 26 they were not violating any freeze order. [redacted] advised that the CPA failed to present any proof that the respondents were violating any order issued by the CPA, and from the facts presented he decided in favor of the respondents.

#### ATTEMPTS TO SECURE INFORMATION OF [redacted]

Mr. Gusholthoff has advised that he personally talked with [redacted] of the CPA, and [redacted] who presented the matter before the commissioner on August 13. Mr. Gusholthoff

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has informed that these two individuals have refused to allow the Bureau to look at their files and would not give him the name of the reporter who recorded the hearings, the theory of [REDACTED] being that this is still an open matter with the CPA and they cannot let any other Government agency look at any of their files while the matter is pending. [REDACTED] had advised Mr. Ostholthoff that there was some off-the-record things he wanted to discuss with the commissioner, and he urged Mr. Ostholthoff not to do anything until September 5 when there will be an additional hearing. Mr. Ostholthoff again on August 20 had a conference with [REDACTED] and made a further request to examine the files of the CPA and was again denied the information in the files of the CPA together with the transcript of the hearing held before [REDACTED]. Mr. Ostholthoff pointed out to both [REDACTED] that the FBI has jurisdiction to investigate Fraud Against the Government cases and that was the reason for our request for information. [REDACTED] requested that the FBI defer any investigation until after the hearing held on September 5, 1946. [REDACTED] further stated that any investigation by the FBI would interfere with the CPA case. However, when questioned as to why any investigation conducted by the FBI would interfere with the CPA investigation, [REDACTED] stated he did not know. b7c

ACTION TO BE TAKEN

[REDACTED] has conferred with CPA officials and will advise as to the result of his conference.

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TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: 8/28/46

FROM : R. C. HENDON

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DATE 10/25/85 BY SP-7 JML/MS

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN SIEGEL, with aliases  
Information Concerning; Miscellaneous  
Crime Survey

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. E. A. Tamm	_____
Mr. Clegg	_____
Mr. Glavin	_____
Mr. Ladd	_____
Mr. Nichols	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tracy	_____
Mr. Carson	_____
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Miss Gandy	_____

Reference is made to the memorandum from Supervisor [redacted] to Mr. Rosen dated August 26, 1946, concerning the Flamingo Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, which Siegel and his associates are attempting to construct. Pursuant to the Director's desires on Saturday evening, August 24, I spoke to [redacted] a personal friend of mine [redacted] of the Civilian Production Administration. I told [redacted] briefly that certain individuals including Siegel had been attempting to obtain clearance to build this hotel near Las Vegas which it was my understanding was to be utilized as a gambling casino. I stated that a hearing had been held in San Francisco on August 13 relative to the freeze order which had been issued by the CPA and another hearing was coming up on September 5, at which it would be determined whether further construction would be permitted. I told [redacted] that he might want to personally check into this matter since it was potentially dangerous from the standpoint of public criticism and criticism from veterans organizations should such construction continue. [redacted] was very appreciative of my calling this to his attention, stating that he was familiar with it and that certainly if possible he would want to stop construction of this type.

I further told [redacted] that the Bureau was interested in this matter from a possible fraud against the Government violation angle. I stated that [redacted] for the CPA covering that area, had refused to furnish us with a transcription of the August 13 hearing and had even refused to furnish us the name of the reporter who took the hearing from whom we might ourselves obtain a copy of the transcription. I stated that he further refused to make their file available to us. [redacted] stated that this was absolutely silly and that he would take necessary steps to see that we got a copy of the transcription and that the file was made available.

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As a result of this conversation [redacted] telephoned me on the morning of August 27 in compliance with [redacted] instructions. [redacted] He stated that under the war compliance act or statute, material collected by his investigators was considered to be confidential and they were under instructions not to make it available to other agencies without subpoena. He said, however, that as a practical matter they ordinarily would make it available to the FBI, Internal Revenue and other authorized agencies on a confidential basis for review and then if it was to be used publicly, appropriate subpoena could be issued.

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I explained to [redacted] the lack of cooperation on the part of his San Francisco Office and he stated that it would appear [redacted] had been leaning over backwards in complying with the above instructions. He stated that he would telephone [redacted] office immediately and see that a copy of the transcription was made available and that the material from their files would also be available. bx

Shortly thereafter he telephoned me back and stated that he had been in contact with [redacted] 1355 Market Street, San Francisco, who indicated that they could not previously make a copy of the transcription available to us since it had just been received yesterday and further their file only consisted of work papers which had constantly been in use in their efforts to prepare for the September 5 hearing. He said arrangements had been made for [redacted] to make available to our representative a copy of the transcription, together with any material desired from the file.

I again pointed out he would not

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was given us  
the name of the  
hearing reporter.

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The Director  
was informed  
[redacted]

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. E. A. Tamm *EAT*

DATE: August 23, 1946

FROM : R. A. Rosen

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
INFORMATION CONCERNING  
CRIME SURVEYCall 11:35 A.M. *87*ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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Mr. Tolson	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
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Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
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Miss Gandy	

Mr. Ostholthoff, Los Angeles, advised that it had been necessary to pull all technicals in this case located at Las Vegas during the evening of August 22, 1946.

FACTS

Mr. Ostholthoff stated that early in the evening of August 22, 1946,

Mr. Ostholthoff stated that apparently something went wrong with the machine because when Agents were playing it back it was going back out.

All techs were immediately pulled.

Mr. Ostholthoff advised that detailed memoranda were immediately being prepared by both Special Agent [redacted] who handled the installations and Special Agent [redacted] who was handling instant call. He advised that copies would be immediately dispatched to the Bureau.

He further advised that he received the call about 11:30 P.M., Los Angeles time, and that the trouble had occurred on the long distance line at the Las Vegas Club.

OBSERVATION

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that a qualified sound man be dispatched by the Bureau to Las Vegas for the purpose of determining the exact cause of the difficulty.

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TO : E. A. TAMM

DATE: August 20, 1946

FROM : R. A. ROSEN

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING  
CRIME SURVEY

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## PURPOSE

This is to advise you that a hearing was held at San Francisco on August 13 last concerning a "stop order" issued by the C.P.A. in connection with the construction of the Flamingo Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. [redacted] was appointed to hear the subject matter and from the facts presented at this hearing decided in favor of the respondents. [redacted] however, allowed the C.P.A. until September 5th to produce further evidence, and unless such evidence is presented, the case will then be closed. b7c

## BACKGROUND

The Los Angeles Office recently advised that in connection with the construction of the Flamingo Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, a stop order was issued by the C.P.A. against the Del Webb Construction Company which had been employed by Benjamin Siegel [redacted] to construct the Flamingo Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. [redacted] who was appointed to hear the case, has advised that the following appeared as interested parties: [redacted] Benjamin Siegel, and [redacted] of the Del Webb Architects. [redacted] further advised that the respondents were represented by the following attorneys: [redacted] At the hearing [redacted] advised that the respondents exhibited a plan dated January 12th and [redacted] testified that this was the plan followed in the construction of the Flamingo Hotel. [redacted] stated that he pointed out at the hearing that this plan lacked details such as elevation and he therefore questioned whether they could proceed with the building using only the plans of January 12th. [redacted] further advised that he asked if the local building code required filing of detailed plans, and he was advised in the negative. [redacted] reported that at the hearing the respondents showed that they had received a wire on April 16, 1946 from the C.P.A. to the effect that they must stop construction if the construction was in violation of a freeze order placed at that time. The respondents further produced a letter directed to the C.P.A. stating that the construction was proceeding on the plan of January 12th and as the building was started before March 26th, they were not violating any freeze order. [redacted] further advised that the respondents produced testimony to the effect that they had spent over \$700,000 and committed themselves to about \$500,000. [redacted] further advised that he was concerned with the operation of the C.P.A. in that they failed to present any proof that the respondents were violating any order issued by the C.P.A. Therefore, from the facts presented he decided in favor of the respondents. However, he allowed the C.P.A. until September 5th to produce further evidence if desired, and unless the C.P.A. requests a further hearing, the case will then be closed. b7c

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The technical surveillance on Benjamin Siegel reflected that on August 13, 1946 [REDACTED] of the Del Webb Construction Company, visited Siegel in his room and mentioned the name [REDACTED] Siegel is reported to have stated that he could get [REDACTED] and straighten the whole matter out instead of spending money for lawyers. The Los Angeles Office has advised that the [REDACTED] mentioned might possibly be [REDACTED] of the C.P.A. b7c

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that Siegel told [REDACTED] for the C.P.A. at Los Angeles, was an old friend of his and that he worked with [REDACTED] several years ago in connection with an investigation on behalf of Siegel in connection with the trial of Lucky Luciano. [REDACTED] Siegel [REDACTED] was in recent conversation with [REDACTED] told Siegel he did not know Siegel was interested in the Flamingo Hotel, and that if he had, there would not have been so much trouble caused. b7c b

[REDACTED]

ACTION TO BE TAKEN

You will be immediately advised of further developments in this matter.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. Rosen

DATE: August 28, 1946

FROM :

Call 3:15 P.M.

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
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Mr. A. E. Ostholthoff was contacted at the San Francisco Division and he advised that he had just had a conference with the CPA officials. The CPA officials made available a copy of the transcript of the minutes of the hearing held in connection with the construction of the Flamingo Hotel. They stated that everything in their files was contained in the transcript except the plans for the Flamingo Hotel which were in the possession of one of their investigators handling the matter at the present time at Las Vegas. Mr. Ostholthoff advised he was to have a further conference with the CPA officials and would endeavor to obtain from them an opportunity of reviewing the complete file in the case. Mr. Ostholthoff was advised that arrangements had been made with the CPA officials in Washington so that complete cooperation would be afforded and that it was not to be limited to merely making available the transcript of the hearing. Mr. Ostholthoff will contact the Bureau in the event any difficulties are encountered in obtaining access to the complete file. He stated that apparently they were not available at San Francisco but that the aerial photographs obtained by the Bureau of the Flamingo Hotel would probably be adequate for Bureau purposes.

## TECHNICALS AT LAS VEGAS

Mr. Ostholthoff's attention was called to the fact that no memoranda had been received at the Bureau concerning the difficulty which occurred on the technical installation at Las Vegas on August 22, 1946. Mr. Ostholthoff advised that he had arranged to have the memoranda prepared by the Agents submitted to him at Los Angeles and that he had not as yet had an opportunity of reviewing same and submitting them, together with his recommendations, to the Bureau. He stated he would immediately upon his return to Los Angeles have the same submitted to the Bureau. He advised that a test had been made with this machine and it was the only one that was defective.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Los Angeles (13) California  
August 21, 1946

Director, FBI

ATTENTION: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ROSEN

Re: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
MISCELLANEOUS; INFORMATION  
CONCERNING; CRIME SURVEY

Dear Sir:

For the completion of your file in connection with the  
instant matter there are enclosed two photographs of BEN SIEGEL.

Very truly yours,

A. E. Ostholthoff

A. E. OSTHOLTHOFF

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aside and out of use and that he would receive further instructions as soon as the memoranda from the Agents involved, together with his recommendations, was received at the Bureau.

#### CONTEMPLATED RFC LOAN

Mr. Ostholthoff's attention was called to his Personal and Confidential letter of August 26, 1946, wherein he advised that the Director had instructed that a letter be directed to George Allen of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation giving Mr. Allen some background concerning the people behind the Flamingo Hotel. In this letter Mr. Allen was to be further advised of possible efforts on the part of these individuals to secure a loan from the RFC so that Mr. Allen could block any such loan.

It was pointed out to Mr. Ostholthoff that in his telephone call to the Bureau on August 21, 1946, he merely advised that Siegel in general conversation had indicated [redacted] that he might attempt to obtain an RFC loan in connection with the construction of the Flamingo Hotel and that at that time Mr. Ostholthoff was advised to follow the matter closely and if any information was developed indicating that positive action was to be taken in obtaining an RFC loan the Bureau should be immediately advised. It was pointed out to Mr. Ostholthoff that at this time his letter of August 26 which purported to set out information concerning this matter had not been received at the Bureau. Mr. Ostholthoff advised that his letter of August 26 contained no additional information concerning this matter. He stated that the only information they had was to the effect that Siegel indicated [redacted] that he might possibly seek an RFC loan and that they had no information as to the amount of the loan he might seek, the place where he might make application, or the identity of any persons he might enlist to assist him in obtaining the RFC loan. He stated, however, that the Director thought it advisable that the information concerning this be called to Mr. Allen's attention at this time. b7c

#### ACTION BEING TAKEN

A letter is being directed to George Allen, Chairman of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation in accordance with the Director's instructions.

*Let to Allen sent 8/27/46*

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